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Today and Tomorrow



By
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Boston Vote Tells the Story

ON Tuesday the inherent weakness of Gov. Roosevelt's candidacy was made manifest to the country. For the primary elections in Massachusetts and Pennsylvania were the first real test of Mr. Roosevelt's popular appeal in the great centers of population. The outcome has shown what seasoned observers have for some months contended: that he does not command a national figure in the Democratic party and that his nomination would disunite and disperse the support which the party might reasonably expect this year.

The results in Massachusetts are much more decisive than any one imagined they could be. For Mr. Roosevelt was supported in Boston by Mayor Curley's organization. It is a typical urban machine, immensely powerful and well financed. That this organization should have been overwhelmingly defeated in the city of Boston which it controls is sensational evidence of how Democratic city voters feel about the Roosevelt candidacy. No political observer that I know imagined that such an overturn could take place. It was believed that Smith would run strongly in the other cities of Massachusetts, for there he had the support of the State organization. But that his delegates could overwhelm the Curley machine in Boston itself is clear proof that the "forgotten men" intervened in the contest.

The Boston vote seems to me the decisive test. For in primary elections the machine normally wins. It is only when the machine is beaten that one can feel certain that a powerful, popular sentiment has expressed itself at the polls. With the Boston test before

us it can now be said with assurance that the politicians in the large States who have been opposing Roosevelt have judged correctly what the voters think about him.

These results dispose completely of the Roosevelt propaganda that he is the idol of the masses, opposed only by the international bankers, the power trust and Mr. Raskob. Today it is certain that in the industrial sections of the country Mr. Roosevelt is very far from being the idol of the masses. In these sections where millions are unemployed, where the suffering is most acute, Mr. Roosevelt's protestations of interest in the forgotten man have brought him just nowhere.

Why is this? Are the miners of Scranton and Wilkesbarre the minions of Wall Street? Or don't they want a President whose heart is sympathetic with them? The real reason is that the people of the East know about Mr. Roosevelt, and gradually have taken his measure. They just do not believe in him. They have detected something hollow in him, something synthetic, something pretended and calculated. While they are far from having definite ideas as to what the policies of the country ought to be, they would like the next President to ring true. Mr. Roosevelt does not ring true. This has been the judgment of the great majority of Democratic insiders. It has now been confirmed by the urban masses of the East.

After this demonstration it is plain that if the convention in Chicago nominated Mr. Roosevelt it would be taking tremendous risks. Until Tuesday the promoters of the Governor's candidacy were urging that, though he lacked the support of Democratic leaders and of the Democratic machine in the East, he had such great popular strength that if nominated he

would certainly be elected. That argument is now exploded.

It has now been made plain that Mr. Roosevelt's position is about as follows: He has popular strength in the South, in the Northwest and probably on the Pacific Coast. He has strength among the professional politicians in these sections plus some scattered professional following elsewhere among politicians who were looking for the band wagon. But in the industrial Middle West and the industrial East he has not either popular strength nor professional, and he has the great weakness of having antagonized Al Smith's most devoted followers. Unless the Chicago convention thinks that he can carry every State east of the Mississippi and south of the Potomac and win with those electoral votes alone they will not take the risk of nominating him. Mr. Roosevelt's liabilities are great, and they will now grow greater as the convention approaches. For his defeat on Tuesday has justified the opposition and will increase it.

Those Democratic leaders who have been working for a convention of uninstructed delegates have proved to be the best judges of the situation. There are times when some one man so dominates the scene that his nomination can be settled in advance. But this year among the Democrats there has been no man who dominated the scene. Both Roosevelt and Smith are obviously sectional and factional candidates. The wisdom of the matter, therefore, is to recognize each as representative of an important element of the party, but to nominate neither of them since both divide the party. Each is entitled to a strong voice in the final selection. But unless the party wants to do battle in its own ranks rather than against the Republicans it will now look for a candidate who is not from New York.

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TRAVELER New Street Commissioner

MAYOR CURLEY'S appointment of Theodore A. Glynn to the chairmanship of the Boston board of street commissioners brings to that position a man who knows and loves Boston and who will apply to his job an intelligence competent to meet with the problems of the position.

The former fire commissioner succeeds a good man, the late Thomas J. Hurley, and finds himself at the head of a board of unusual ability. We are confident that Chairman Glynn will measure up to the high standard maintained by this particular group.

It is a good appointment, Mr. Mayor.

STOP-ROOSEVELT PLAN AIDED HERE

**Victory Will Hearten
Smith's Supporters
Great Majority for His Slate
Credited to Women Voters**

By JOHN D. MERRILL

The Democratic primary in Massachusetts was the first important successful attempt of what has been called the "stop-Roosevelt" movement. It may not lead to the nomination of Ex-Gov Alfred E. Smith for the Presidency—most of the politicians do not expect that—but it may bring about the defeat of Gov Franklin D. Roosevelt in the national convention, where the successful candidate must have the support of two-thirds of the delegates present and voting.

The 36 votes which the Massachusetts delegates will cast for Ex-Gov Smith when the balloting begins in the convention will be valuable to him, but much more important is the effect which the Massachusetts primary will have in the weeks in the immediate future on the election and pledging of delegates in other States. The anti-Roosevelt forces for the first time have made headway in a contest in which they fought against the leading candidate for the Presidential nomination.

Pennsylvania May Split

The Pennsylvania delegates favorable to Gov Roosevelt may at least equal in numbers those he failed to get in Massachusetts. It is true also that the Roosevelt managers in New York had not counted on one delegate from Massachusetts. But mere figures may fail to balance the psychological effect of the Massachusetts primary. It will have influence in the New England States which have not yet chosen their delegates, and may be felt in more remote parts of the country where the anti-Roosevelt movement has hitherto gained little headway.

The Roosevelt managers have claimed the votes of several States whose favorite sons do not expect to be serious candidates for the nomination, but the politicians say the Roosevelt people must now have more than indefinite assurances that the New York Governor will be the second choice of these delegations. In other

words, some may turn to Ex-Gov Smith. Perhaps they will not be sufficient to nominate him, but they will at least make him a powerful factor in the convention.

Unpledged Idea Failed

The pre-primary Democratic campaign in this State was out of the ordinary in many respects. The original intention of the State leaders who afterwards declared for Ex-Gov Smith was to run an unpledged delegation, but they discovered that it was difficult to make much headway so long as they had no candidate whom they could set up against Gov Roosevelt; in other words, they found out they could not beat somebody with nobody. There are reasons for believing that the situation in this State was to some degree responsible for Mr Smith's first statement, in which he said he would accept the Presidential nomination if the delegates in the national convention wanted him to take it. As soon as Mr Smith made that declaration his friends in Massachusetts had something to build on, and, as the primary showed, they worked to good effect.

They prepared a list of candidates for delegates-at-large, which was most impressive. It contained the names of the Governor of the Commonwealth, the two United States Senators, the four Democratic Congressmen from the State, the district attorney of Suffolk County, Gen Charles H. Cole, a veteran of the World War, once the Democratic nominee for Governor, and the original Smith man in this State; Ex-Mayor John F. Fitzgerald, one of the most popular public men in New England, and two women, who acceptably represented their sex. It would be impossible to put together another Democratic group comparable for political strength.

Smith's Name Important

Moreover, these leaders had the use of the name Alfred E. Smith, which apparently is worth more in Massachusetts than in any other State in the Union. Many believe that name on the ballot was more effective as a vote-getter than the list of candidates for delegates-at-large, formidable although the latter was. Some of the politicians have speculated since the primary as to what the result would have been if the Roosevelt delegates, headed by Mayor Curley, had been pledged to Ex-Gov Smith and the Smith delegation pledged to Gov Roosevelt. There are those who think Senator Walsh and his associates would have gone down to defeat under such circumstances.

It seems plain, after the result, that Gov Roosevelt would have been better off in the country if he had not entered the fight in Massachusetts. According to rumor, Chairman James A. Farley of the New York Democratic committee, who is the national leader of the Roosevelt campaign; Lewis M. Howe, Gov Roosevelt's personal secretary, and Robert Jackson, the Roosevelt leader in New England, did not want to make a contest here for their candidate. It would be interesting to know who was responsible for the decision to file a list of Roosevelt delegates if these important men in the organization did not believe in that course. Mayor Curley could hardly have had sufficient influence.

Women Piled Up Big Vote

According to the stories current on the street, it was the women who rolled up the enormous majority for the Smith ticket in Tuesday's primary. Everybody knew that at the beginning of the campaign they were

for Ex-Gov Smith, but the Roosevelt supporters felt they had made great progress in swinging the women over to the Roosevelt side. Evidently the Roosevelt managers were mistaken.

It may be that Mayor Curley's political prestige has suffered a permanent eclipse; it is certainly in the shadow now, and for the present he must lay aside any ambitions for higher office, unless Gov Roosevelt is elected President. In that event the Mayor may step into the sunlight again.

James Roosevelt, son of the New York Governor, was doubtless disappointed by the defeat of the group to which his name was attached, but he made an extraordinary run in the primary. Inexperienced and unknown when the campaign opened, he developed into an effective speaker and attained such a wide personal popularity that on the face of the returns he had a lead of a few votes over Mayor Curley in the total.

Everybody in the list of the Smith delegates-at-large, and among the district delegates also, has grounds for satisfaction, especially Senator Walsh, who led the delegates-at-large, as everybody supposed he would; Gov Ely, who was so close to the senior Senator; Ex-Mayor Fitzgerald, who ran third, in spite of the fact that his name, for strategic reasons, was placed last on the list, and Dist Atty Foley, who had a larger vote in Boston than any of the other candidates for delegates who live in this city.

Vote as Large as Expected

The total vote in the Democratic primary, about 210,000, was quite as large as almost everybody, except some of the candidates, expected. The heaviest vote ever cast in a Democratic primary in the State was thrown two years ago, when there were interesting contests for the gubernatorial and senatorial nominations; the total vote for Governor in that primary was 214,994.

The total in Tuesday's primary can be approximately obtained by adding together the votes for Senator Walsh and James Roosevelt, who led their respective tickets; that sum is 209,783. It is probably not accurate, however, because of the likelihood that some voters did not mark their ballots for either of the candidates just mentioned. Nor are the newspaper figures official. The authentic totals from the office of the Secretary of State may show considerable variations from those already published.

THE MAYOR'S TACTICS

To the Editor of the Transcript:

Your editorial, "All For Smith," covers the present campaign in full. It will never be known how many votes were lost to Governor Roosevelt by Mayor Curley's crude attacks on President Hoover.

Many who do not agree with the President realize the terrific strain he has been under for three years, but all people worthy of the name Americans respect his sincerity and the dignity of his office.

J. E. ANDERSON

Boston, April 28

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MAYOR APPOINTS GLYNN STREET BOARD CHAIRMAN

Former Fire Commissioner, Active in Roosevelt
Campaign, Named to \$7000 Post



NEW CHAIRMAN OF STREET BOARD TAKING OATH.

Left to Right—Asst. City Clerk John B. Hynes, Street Board Chairman Theodore A. Glynn and Mayor Curley.

Ex-Fire Commissioner Theodore A. Glynn was appointed chairman of the Board of Street Commissioners yesterday afternoon by Mayor Curley, to succeed Thomas J. Hurley, who died last Fall. Mr. Glynn's appointment is believed to be the first of several to be made within a few weeks.

Mr. Hurley was chairman of the

board at the time of his death and the position had remained vacant.

Mr. Glynn was active in the Roosevelt-for-President campaign. He has long been a prominent Democrat and has held elective as well as appointive office. He is a resident of Roxbury, where years ago he won several victories over Mayor Curley.

The position pays \$7000 a year.

MAYOR'S THREE-DAY WEEK PLAN ADOPTED

Vets Employed on Subway
Reported in Favor

The suggestion of Mayor Curley that, instead of discharging 500 of the 1000 war veterans employed on the Governor-sq subway, the force of 1000 be placed on a three-day week until the job is completed met unanimous approval when transmitted to the workers by Col Thomas F. Sullivan of the Transit Commission.

Because of the headway made on the job and the ability to use only 500 men until the work is finished, the Mayor offered the three-day-a-week proposition to prevent any man being discharged and then compelled to go on the rolls of the Soldiers' Relief Department. Yesterday Col Sullivan reported to Mayor Curley that the men welcomed the short week with work for all. Work on the job has been going on since July 21, 1930. At the peak of employment 1500 men were on the job.

Mayor Curley, before leaving City Hall yesterday for a few days' rest, said there were no plans for employment next Winter, but had the city been allowed to borrow outside the debt limit that the \$15,000,000 tunnel project from Park st to Brookline Village would have meant full time for 3000 men all Winter and next year.

CURLEY OFF FOR REST AFTER LONG CAMPAIGN

After his six weeks of active campaigning in behalf of Gov Franklin D. Roosevelt, Mayor James M. Curley left yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock for an unannounced destination to rest for several days. It was said that he was suffering from a slight throat irritation, presumably due to the speaking campaign that he waged in the past few weeks.

He was at his office early yesterday and from all outward appearances was unruffled and undisturbed over the sweeping victory made by the Smith delegates over the Roosevelt supporters.

THE CHOCK

ON learning the result of the Massachusetts primary, Alfred E. Smith remarked, "I guess that will put a chock under the band wagon." His illustration is from the block of wood placed in front of a rear wheel to interfere with its forward progress.

The origin of the intense campaign here, which brought out a vote unprecedented in a Massachusetts Democratic Presidential primary, should be kept in mind. This Commonwealth had no favorite son to offer when candidates were brought out for the pre-convention race. The State leaders of the Democracy, as well as many of the rank and file, were quite content to have the standard-bearer for November determined by the processes of the national convention. That would have meant an unpledged delegation free to do what it thought best at Chicago.

The rise of the aggressive Roosevelt movement made it difficult to stick to this idea. As a result, the leaders of the party in the State decided to draft the brown derby for the emergency, its owner having tossed the hat into the ring for whatever use might be made of it. Instead of an uninstructed 36, Mr Alfred E. Smith has now been credited with that number from Massachusetts.

The stop-Roosevelt movement, which was apparently languishing while the supporters of New York's Governor added up increasing totals, has now been revived.

There are 1154 votes in the National Democratic Convention. Two-thirds being required for a nomination, the winner must have at least 770. Taken the other way, it means that 385 delegates holding out against the front-runner can block him.

From the non-Roosevelt angle it is interesting to ask what is the prospect that those who do not want to have Mr Roosevelt nominated will be able to rely upon 385 votes being cast for other candidates.

In the favorite son column Ohio is instructed to vote its 52 solidly for Gov George White on the early ballots. Later the delegation may support Senator Bulkley or Newton D. Baker. Ohio, sometimes called "mother of Presidents," seems to have an ambition to become "mother of triplets." Anyway Ohio is not leaning toward Mr Roosevelt. Illinois' 58 votes are to go to Senator J. Hamilton Lewis. Maryland's 16 are faithful to Gov Ritchie. Oklahoma has pledged 22 votes to Gov Murray and Virginia with 24 votes is partial to former Gov Harry F. Byrd. Texas is proud of having raised Speaker John Garner and will give him 46. The 36 of Missouri are pledged to former Senator James A. Reed. That brings the list up to 254.

The delegation from Louisiana with 20 votes is in the vest pocket of Senator Huey F. Long, who does not care for Mr Roosevelt. Massachusetts has bestowed its 36 upon Alfred E. Smith. The Democratic control of New Jersey and also of Indiana is disposed to wait and see before deciding what to do with delegations of 32 and 30. There are also two singletons which should be counted. Gov Murray has one vote from North Dakota and Mr Smith one from Wisconsin. So far the aggregate is 374.

A contribution from Connecticut, manifesting a Smith tendency, and another from Pennsylvania, where in spite of Mr Roosevelt's head start with 44 uncontested delegates, there are admittedly a few for Mr Smith, will push the non-Roosevelt total up to the status of a chock of the wheel—that is to a number in excess of 385.

There is also New York with 94 delegates, only two of whom are listed as pledged to Roosevelt. The other 92 are not apportioned. Evidently the Governor at Albany has something to think about at home. Tammany is top dog in New York's Democracy. Mayor Walker has already committed himself to

Mr Smith. The investigation of Mr Walker's affairs is hot upon his heels. As the country watches, the relations between the Wigwam and the Governor are likely to undergo great strain. While Mr Smith has had his differences with Tammany the heads of the organization may like him better than Mr Roosevelt.

If all the various non-Roosevelt elements can be kept out of his column the band wagon will be prevented from reaching its announced destination. There is, however, something which should be considered. The West can learn to care very much for an Eastern man when it observes him having difficulties at home. The same is true of parts of the South.

The problem of the Roosevelt management is to go so far beyond a majority during the selection of the 582 Democratic delegates who are to be named after the Pennsylvania list is announced as to impress backers of favorite sons and the delegates who are now determined to wait and see. A convincing showing in California next week would help. Mr Roosevelt and his friends no doubt realize that there is a very substantial obstacle under the wheel.

Uncle Dudley.

CURLEY COURT TO RECEIVE SUNDAY

Breakfast to Follow Mass at Cathedral

Members and friends of James M. Curley, Jr., court 285, M. C. O. F., will receive communion in a body at 9 o'clock mass at the Cathedral of the Holy Cross tomorrow.

The court is one of the largest groups of Foresters in Massachusetts. Following the mass a communion breakfast will be held at the Copley Plaza Hotel.

Miss Anna M. Ahern, assisted by a large committee, is in charge of the affair. Guests at the event will include the Rev. Harry O'Connor, chaplain of the court and high chaplain of the order, and Mayor James M. Curley and his family.

At the breakfast vocal selections will be rendered by Dorothea Leary of the court. Chief Ranger William G. O'Hare will act as toastmaster at the breakfast.

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GETS A NEW JOB



Photo shows former Fire Commissioner Theodore A. Glynn being sworn in as street commissioner of the city of Boston yesterday. Left to right: Assistant City Clerk John B. Hynes, Theodore A. Glynn and Mayor Curley.

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\$150,000 SPENT HERE, IS CLAIM

Donahue Makes Attack on Roosevelt Funds Latter Ridicule His Charges, Declare \$5000 Was Sent

NEW YORK, April 28 (A. P.)—A charge that the Roosevelt forces spent \$150,000 in their unsuccessful fight for national convention delegates in Massachusetts was given out at Alfred E. Smith's office today and was promptly ridiculed by Roosevelt campaign leaders.

The accusation was made by Frank J. Donahue, chairman of the Massachusetts Democratic State Committee, in a telegram relayed through

Smith to P. M. Abbott, leader of the "Happy Warrior's" California campaign.

It said the three-to-one Bay State victory for Smith was accomplished with the expenditure of less than \$3000, "against \$150,000 spent by our opponent."

Managers of Gov. Roosevelt's campaign ridiculed the charge and said only \$5000 had been sent from here to Massachusetts.

Meantime, both sides were claiming a majority of the 76 convention votes from Pennsylvania, where returns of Tuesday's primary still were being tabulated. Smith's office stuck to a claim of 40, leaving 36 for Roosevelt. Roosevelt's office boosted yesterday's estimate of 57 to 60, leaving Smith only 16.

"We're positive of the 40," one of the Governor's associates said.

"They can't dynamite the 60 away from us," one of the Governor's aids said.

If Smith's figures stand up, he will have won nearly two-thirds of the 112 delegates picked Tuesday in Massachusetts and Pennsylvania.

If the opposing claims are substantiated, Roosevelt will have won more than half the 112.

The forces of both now are concentrating on California, where 44 delegates will be elected May 3; in Rhode Island, where 10 will be picked at a convention May 2, and on New Jersey, which will elect 32 May 15.

SETS ROOSEVELT BILL AT \$150,000

Donahue Declares Smith
Forces Expended Only
\$3000 in State

GOVERNOR'S GROUP SCOFFS AT CHARGE

The three-to-one victory for Alfred E. Smith over Gov. Roosevelt in the Massachusetts presidential primary Tuesday was obtained with an expenditure of only \$3000 as compared with \$150,000 spent in the futile attempt to elect Roosevelt-pledged delegates, declared Frank J. Donahue, chairman of the Democratic state committee, in a telegram received by Smith supporters in California yesterday.

Roosevelt forces in New York promptly denied the telegram, declaring that only \$5000 was sent from New York to Massachusetts.

Later in the night Mr. Donahue replied that if he had erred, he had erred on the side of conservatism and understatement. However, the telegram was a mere statement of fact, not a charge or complaint, he said.

"I didn't know that my telegram would be published, but I have no objection to its publication and no retraction to make," he said.

"It was clear that they spent money lavishly, but I am not making any complaint. They had expensive headquarters in various sections of the state, many hours on the radio, circulars, newspaper advertising, halls, music, everything in fact that was required to ballyhoo their cause.

"I may have been in error in my estimate of the Roosevelt expenditure. If I was I certainly did not underestimate the amount. My possible error could not have been an overestimate."

"They even sent sample ballots to the homes of every Democrat in the state and circulars to the voters from the district delegates.

"I said in my telegram that we had carried every city and every town of any size in Massachusetts for Smith by supendous margins with an expenditure of less than \$3000."

Mr. Donahue's telegram was relayed through Smith to P. M. Abbott, leader of the "Happy Warrior's" California campaign.

Gov. Ely's Troubles Follow Fast on One Another's Heels; He May Sigh for Private Life

After Being Called "Polecat" in the Primary Campaign, He Gets Into Clash with Youngman

By W. E. MULLINS

Gov. Ely well may be pardoned if he longs for the comparative peace of his chosen profession as a member of the bar. Once emerged from a devastating campaign, in which he had been referred to as a "polecat," he was immediately plunged into more political turmoil by Lt.-Gov. Youngman's noisy demand that he join in a move to prevent the taxpayers from having their pockets picked in the purchase of what Mr. Youngman characterized as a worthless street railway franchise.

The quarrel provoked by the street railway franchise controversy now is before the Legislature. If the Governor succeeds in having the proposed legislation killed he exposes himself to the charge of permitting the commonwealth to be defrauded of \$563,000. If he permits the legislation to be enacted he automatically confesses that his position on the issue was wrong from the start.

Beyond that he looks ahead to the numerous difficulties always associated with a prorogation of the Legislature, while in the dim distance there looms the task of uniting a disrupted Democratic party for the November election, in which he faces the prospect of running for Governor with Franklin D. Roosevelt's name at the head of the ticket.

If Gov. Roosevelt wins his party's presidential nomination Mr. Ely might just as well dust off his old law books, because he will find himself in the delicate position of being forced to proclaim his loyalty from the political stump in October to a man whom he called a demagogue in April. Just now Broad street in Westfield must look rather pleasant to his excellency.

MAYOR CURLEY DISCUSSED

Wherever Massachusetts Democrats have assembled since Tuesday their speculative discussions have centred, not on Gov. Ely's future political status, but on that of Mayor Curley. At the moment it looks as if his honor is out on the limb of a very high tree, but the deliberations of the party convention may alter the situation.

The simplest explanation of the stu-

pendous triumph scored by Alfred E. Smith in the presidential primary is that the Democrats of this state still want him to be President. The most logical speculation to follow this is the question of what they will do when they discover that they will not be permitted to have him for their candidate.

The mayor's stock ought to become slightly bullish when the news eventually comes from Chicago that Gov. Smith is not wanted by the party at large. The "I-told-you-sos" then will have their proper place in the sun. The mayor's career is packed with defeats for him when he attempts to espouse the cause of others.

The Democrats laughed at his endeavors to get them to vote for Roosevelt. They figuratively thumbed their noses at him when he attempted to give the sack to three city councilmen who were heartily disliked by him. They turned thumbs down on him when he tried to make Teddy Glynn his heir at City Hall in 1925. They tripped him up rather unceremoniously when he urged them to accept the late Sherman Whipple as their candidate for United States senator back in 1922.

He can get himself elected mayor all right, but his partisans will not permit him to choose their other office-holders.

HIS FUTURE PLANS

The mayor has said that he will not seek to succeed Gov. Ely this year. The city charter will not permit him to seek re-election as mayor next year. There is no vacancy in the Senate until 1934, and then David I. Walsh comes up for re-election. That's a bad outlook in view of the vote David polled last Tuesday.

Yet every one concedes that individuals counted for less than nothing in the recent revolt against the mayor's leadership. Some of the Smith dele-

gates may commit the blunder of thinking their swollen totals were personal tributes. Without casting any reflection on the Democrats, it is safe to say that a ticket headed by Benedict Arnold, Bishop Cannon and Al Capone could have won with the aid of the legend "pledged to Alfred E. Smith."

If the mayor is canvassing the situation in an attempt to restore his somewhat rusted prestige he might consider the possibility of making the run for Lieutenant-Governor. Such a development might conceivably result in a fusing of the party's forces and a consolidation of its strength. It might be personally distasteful to Gov. Ely, Daniel H. Coakley and Frank J. Donahue, but the mayor never has asked their permission to do anything.

Being Lieutenant-Governor is not such a hard job. An energetic man like Mr. Curley easily could fill the two jobs on School street and Beacon street, and there is nothing in the constitution or the statutes to prevent him from serving in the dual capacity. Of course, either Councillor Chester I. Campbell of Quincy or President Bacon of the Senate might have something to say about it because one of them is destined to be the Republican candidate for that job and both have strong followings.

SOME ELIMINATED

A few weeks ago there were a number of Democrats who were ambitious to run for Lieutenant-Governor, but modesty or recklessness has eliminated some of them. Mayor John J. Murphy of Somerville showed signs of wanting the nomination, but the memory of the intense loyalty of Al Smith's ardent friends will dissuade him. Mayor Richard M. Russell of Cambridge was mentioned rather prominently, but he was too modest to take sides for either Smith or Roosevelt, and so he would start out with no legacy at all.

The Democrats probably will end up with Auditor Francis X. Hurley as their candidate. His refusal to be a prima donna has made him unusually strong with the party machine. Although holding a state office, he yielded any claim to a place on the delegation-at-large and willingly submitted to being drafted to run as a district delegate pledged to Smith against Mayors Murphy and John H. Burke of Medford when it looked as if that would be the hardest of all the districts to win.

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\$100,000 Minimum Necessary To Run for Boston Mayoralty

By JAMES GOGGIN

In the judgment of men qualified by experience to reveal the tremendous cost of political campaigns, a minimum of \$100,000 cash is essential to finance the bare necessities of a properly managed mayoralty candidacy in Boston.

Different types of campaigning increase the various elements of expense which must be met by candidates hopeful of success, and a maximum expenditure of \$250,000 can easily be made without any melon-cutting for the enrichment of men and women who regard politics as a practical business.

A \$100,000 campaign can embrace every form of appeal to the voters, but a candidate required to keep expenses within such a figure will find opportunity for the expenditure of double that amount without searching for it.

Modern methods of attracting attention now include the use of radio, but the shrewd candidates, cognizant of the fact that the unseen audience of listeners cannot be fairly estimated, use the newspapers in preference because of the certainty that the majority of a known number of readers will at least glance at political advertising.

It costs money to attempt to reach Boston voters either by radio or through the newspaper, but such a character of appeal is only one of the avenues along which money flows from campaign chests.

Literature, provided that the voters are thoroughly circularized, runs into thousands of dollars, campaign head-

quarters can eat money as fast as it can be printed; the rental of privately owned halls and municipal auditoriums in school buildings is considerable and if an organized effort is made to provide checkers and motor cars for every polling place in Boston, this expense alone is more than the average candidate for public office can assume.

Political history in Boston has revealed that mayoralty candidates do not disburse their own funds in support of quest for the \$20,000 per year job. Most of them depend upon contributions, either voluntary, or secured by the devious methods of practical politicians.

Contractors are notorious gamblers in mayoralty campaigns. Some are shrewd enough to contribute impartially, thereby making it a certainty that the victor will feel under obligations to recognize the contribution by the grant of preference in the award of municipal contracts.

The experts insist that it is not as difficult to raise a fund of \$100,000 by a candidate who appears to have a chance of winning a mayoralty election as the uninformed assume. With them, however, the modus operandi is a secret.

Next year promises to bring forth a number of aspirants for Mayor Curley's job. If what experts agree upon is fact, the prospective candidate who is unaware of the sources from which he can draw gifts aggregating \$100,000, will save time and energy by abandoning his ambition.

CURLEY COURT FOLK RECEIVE COMMUNION

George, Youngest of Sons,
Represents the Mayor

The James M. Curley Jr Court, M. C. O. F., annual communion service was well attended at Cathedral of the Holy Cross, with several hundred members receiving holy communion at the 9 o'clock mass yesterday.

Rev Neil Cronin was celebrant and he congratulated the members on the number who attended. Following the mass, breakfast was served at the Copley-Plaza.

Rev Harry A. O'Connor, chaplain of the court, made the principal address. Speaking on "Kindness," he urged his listeners to show the spirit of kindness whenever the opportunity presented itself. He said that those who give aid to the less fortunate have it brought back to them in even a greater measure. He spoke of how St Therese devoted herself to acts of kindness and charity, and pointed out that the world which she shunned now proclaims her.

He spoke of a young woman who had done herself bodily harm in an effort to end her life because she felt that nobody cared the least about her welfare. He said that if some person had shown her a little kindness her mind would not have been in such a condition.

Miss Etta Ahern was chairman of the committee and she presented as toastmaster William G. O'Hare, chief ranger of the court.

High Chief Ranger Joseph A. Cahalan complimented the membership committee on its recent drive which netted over 180 applications for membership. He asked that the court form a committee to administer kindness to people who might need it.

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THE BROWN DERBY
LOCHINVAR

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Tomorrow on Beacon Hill

The petition of Mayor Curley that the trustees of the Boston City Hospital be authorized to hold an additional amount of real and personal property will be heard tomorrow before the Committee on Mercantile Affairs, meeting in Room 436 at 10.30 o'clock. The House Ways and Means Committee will take up a number of bills seeking compensation for persons injured while serving in the National Guard, and a bill that Richard F. Corrigan of Braintree be reimbursed by the Commonwealth for injuries received at Fort Standish in Boston Harbor while on duty with the Coast Artillery Corps.

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Favor Curley Bill for New Welfare Setup

Committee on Cities to Report Measure Replacing Overseers with Paid Commissioner

By Richard D. Grant

By a margin of 8 to 7, the members of the Legislative Committee on Cities have voted to report favorably a redrafted bill, based on the petition of Mayor James M. Curley, reorganizing the welfare department of the city of Boston. The provisions of the measure would establish the department under a single head in the person of a commissioner of public welfare appointed by and responsible to the mayor, to be paid an annual salary of \$7500, instead of the present unpaid board of twelve overseers.

The chances that the bill will pass are not considered good because of the strong anti-Curley sentiment among Democratic members of the House, particularly since the recent presidential primary. This and the division of opinion in the committee probably will combine to defeat the legislation, notwithstanding the fact that the mayor's petition received the indorsement of the Boston Chamber of Commerce and is considered by other non-partisan critics a constructive move in the present economic situation.

Representative Peter J. Fitzgerald of Dorchester, a member of the Committee on Cities, is leading the opposition to the bill. He objects to it on the ground that it will create a number of additional salaried positions to be parcelled out by the mayor, including two deputy commissioners, each of whom would receive \$5000 a year, with out bringing about any substantial improvement in the administration of the welfare department. Representative Fitzgerald and others against the measure contend that, in addition, the mayor seeks to concentrate authority in the department under paid appointees whom he could control more easily than a large board serving without compensation.

Seeks More Responsibility

The mayor's position is that it is necessary to make the change to assure a greater degree of responsibility, especially at the present time when the city is spending approximately \$1,500,000 a month for public welfare. The trouble with the present setup, according to the city's representatives at the State House is that the overseers, serving without pay, cannot give to the work the attention to which it is entitled, with the result that practically the entire administration of the funds spent for welfare work is left in the hands of a subordinate official, the secretary of the board of overseers.

As far as the matter of actual appointment is concerned, there would be no particular advantage to Mayor Curley in the change as the twelve members of the present welfare body are appointed by the mayor and may be replaced by him at

will. When Malcolm E. Nichols was elected mayor he named an entire new board and when Mr. Curley began his present term he made a number of changes in its personnel.

Republican members of the committee are chiefly responsible for the favorable report. They feel that the city administration is entitled to a tighter check where such large expenditures are involved.

Senator Chester W. Allen of Springfield, chairman of the joint committee, is even inclined to the belief that similar steps should be taken in other municipalities where the depression has forced local city governments to take care of large numbers of unemployed families. It is Senator Allen's view that much might be gained by a study of the methods of administering public welfare by a special recess commission. Legislative leaders have let it be known, however, that they do not favor commission studies this year where they can be avoided, because of a desire for economy and because it would be hard for members to give adequate attention to such duties with the national and State election campaigns in progress.

There are similar public welfare boards in other cities where the actual work is done by a secretary, drafted from the Civil Service lists. The Boston board of overseers was incorporated in 1772, although its powers and duties have been amended several times since by legislative act.

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CALLS MAYOR CROONER

Communist Leader Also Assails President Hoover, Governor Ely and Others at Meeting of "Hunger Marchers" at South End Meeting

In the South End Municipal building, Shawmut avenue and West Brookline street, where the "hunger marchers" went from Ruggles Hall in Roxbury, their principal speaker, Irving Benjamin, Communist leader, last night called Mayor Curley of Boston a political crooner.

The Mayor has been "crooning lullabies to the people to make them forget their troubles," he declared.

This rally followed his derision of President Hoover for allegedly offering Rudy Vallee a medal if he would sing a song to make the people of the nation forget the depression.

The speaker included others in his verbal attack, with Governor Ely coming in for a share of the general denunciation of the government heads.

The meeting chose 15 delegates to march to the State House to present their demands to the Governor today.

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HAYMARKET SQ BILL ADVANCED

To Borrow \$3,000,000 for Improvements

House Again Puts Over to Next Year Divided Tax Bills

Is Declared Unnecessary Burden on Taxpayers

The Massachusetts House of Representatives yesterday ordered to a third reading the bill authorizing the city of Boston to borrow \$3,000,000 for the improvement of Haymarket sq.

An explanation of the bill was asked for by Representative Wadsworth of Boston.

In reply, Representative Estabrook of Haverhill, for the Committee on Municipal Finance, said the original bill gave the city authority to borrow \$4,500,000 for the improvement, but that the committee felt that amount should be reduced to \$3,000,000. The improvement, he continued, was to take care of approaches to the East Boston tunnel and the construction of a circle at Haymarket sq.

Representative Gilman of Boston said the bill provides for the improvement of streets. He expressed the belief it should not be tied up with the East Boston Tunnel Act. Furthermore, he said he felt the bill reported was beyond the scope of the original petition, but he did not propose to raise a point of order.

The bill was thereupon ordered to a third reading by a voice vote.

The House reconsidered its vote of last Friday whereby it referred to the next annual session the bill changing the date for the assessment of taxes from April to Jan 1 and making taxes payable in two instalments, July 1 and Oct 1.

Representative Burgess of Quincy urged favorable action, saying that millions of dollars would be added annually to cities and towns.

Opposing the bill, Representative Swan of Barre said that it would increase the burden on the real estate owners because if half the taxes were not paid July 1, the owner would be required to pay interest at 6 percent.

Representative Clarkson denied that the bill would save money. He said that all it meant was taking money from one pocket and putting it in another. Representative Otis of Pittsfield also spoke in opposition.

The bill was characterized as "putting an unnecessary burden on the taxpayers" by Representative Ficker of Newton.

By a rising vote of 91 to 34 the bill was again referred to the next annual session.

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NEW POLICE STATION IS VOTED DOWN

Council Blocks West Roxbury Plan—New Fire House

Plans for the construction of a new West Roxbury police station at a cost of \$300,000 were blocked late yesterday when the City Council refused to approve the necessary loan order recommended by Mayor Curley and Police Commissioner Hultman.

TOO MANY STATIONS

Leading the fight against the replacement of the station, Councillor Clement A. Norton of Hyde Park protested that there were already too many police stations throughout the city and too many policemen as well, in view of the present mobility of the force through the use of automobiles and motor cycles.

Boston paid more per capita for police protection than any other large city in the country, Councillor Norton informed his Council colleagues. It was time, he said, that the city should follow the example of New York and Philadelphia by reducing the number of its police buildings.

Vote Is 11 to 9

No voice was raised in support of the \$300,000 loan order and on the roll call vote the measure failed of passage, with a count of 11 to 9.

Opposing the police building order were Councillors David M. Brackman and John F. Dowd of Roxbury; John I. Fitzgerald of the West End; Laurence Curtis, 2d, and George W. Roberts of the Back Bay; Thomas Burke, Albert L. Fish and Francis E. Kelly of Dorchester, and Councillor Norton.

On the Mayor's request for a \$300,000 loan order to replace the Longwood avenue fire station with a new building on Mission Hill to provide fire protection for the large number of hospitals and schools in that section of Roxbury, the Council took a different viewpoint and gave the Mayor and Fire Commissioner Edward F. McLaughlin the right to go ahead.

On this measure the vote was 17 to 3, with only Councillors Curtis, Dowd and Norton dissenting.

\$500,000 for Paving

An order for \$500,000 more was given to the Mayor to repave streets throughout the city by the Council with a unanimous vote of approval.

This work, together with the construction of the new fire station will start without delay.

REORGANIZING OF WELFARE WORK PASSES COMMITTEE

The Welfare Department of the city of Boston, which is expected to pay out approximately \$12,000,000 this year for relief, would be reorganized under a bill reported favorably by a vote of 8 to 7 by the Legislative Committee on Cities yesterday. The bill is a redraft of a petition of Mayor James M. Curley.

Under the measure the department would be organized under a single head, to be known as the Commissioner of Public Welfare, who would be appointed by and be responsible to the Mayor. He would receive an annual salary of \$7500, and would replace the present unpaid board of 12 overseers.

The bill aroused great discussion in the committee, as the vote indicates, and a vigorous contest is expected on the floor of the House of Representatives. The Mayor's petition received support of the Boston Chamber of Commerce and other organizations at previous hearings, but there is also considerable opposition.

Representative Peter J. Fitzgerald of Dorchester, a member of the committee, is expected to lead the opposition in the House. He states his objection is that it will create a number of additional salaried positions to be filled by the Mayor, including the head of the commission, and two deputy commissioners, each of whom would receive \$5000 each.

Mayor Curley's position was that it is necessary to make a change in the system to assure greater responsibility because of the fact that the fund dispensed has grown from a few hundred thousand annually to nearly \$1,500,000 each month.

HERALD 5/3/32 COUNCILMEN PASS LOANS FOR \$800,000

Reject \$300,000 Order for New Police Station

A loan order for \$300,000 to replace the police station on Centre street, West Roxbury, was defeated yesterday by the city council. The project was sponsored by Police Commissioner Hultman and was before the council on recommendation of Mayor Curley.

Councilman Clement A. Norton of Hyde Park, opposing the measure, asserted Boston has too many police stations already. Fifteen votes were necessary to obtain adoption of the order, and a roll call found only 11 members in favor, to nine against. A motion to reconsider, made by Councilman Thomas H. Green of Charlestown, was lost on a roll call of 11 to 11. Those voting against reconsideration were Councilmen Brackman, Burke, Curtis, Dowd, Fish, Fitzgerald, Kelly, Lynch, Norton, Roberts and Cox.

A loan order for \$300,000 for construction of a fire station in the Parker Hill district of Roxbury was adopted, 17 to 3. Councilmen Curtis, Dowd and Norton cast the negative votes. The present station at Longwood and Brookline avenues will be abandoned.

A loan order for \$500,000 sought by Commissioner of Public Works Rourke for street paving and reconstruction was passed without opposition.

WELFARE BILL REDRAFT REPORTED

Calls for Commissioner and Board of Ten

The Legislative Committee on Cities, by a vote of eight to seven, agreed today to report a redraft of the bill petitioned for by Mayor Curley for the establishment of a Public Welfare Department in Boston, to replace the existing Board of Overseers of Public Welfare.

The bill to be reported, members said after an executive session today, will authorize the appointment by the Mayor of a commissioner of public welfare, and the creation of an unpaid advisory board of 10 members.

Mayor Curley's original petition provided for the appointment of a Commissioner of Public Welfare and two associates. The commissioners, under the Mayor's bill, would receive an annual salary of \$7500 and the two associates \$5000 each.

The redrafted bill provides that the commissioner will receive \$7500 a year. Five members of the unpaid advisory board would be appointed by the Mayor and five selected by prominent social agencies.

On the vote for the redrafting of the measure today, there were these dissenters: Representative Jones of Peabody, Fitzgerald of Dorchester, Hagan of Somerville, Moriarty of Lowell, Lyons of Brockton, MacLean of Lowell and Bullock of Waltham.

MOVE FOR CITY HOSPITAL TO USE TYLER MILLION

A. B. Casson, legislative agent for the city of Boston, told the Legislative Committee on Metropolitan Affairs today, that if the Boston City Hospital is to make use of the \$1,000,000 left it under the terms of the will of Charles H. Tyler, it will be necessary to pass legislation to extend the financial scope of the city corporation.

As the law now stands, the trustees of the Boston City Hospital are limited to \$1,000,000 in the amount of real and personal property that they may hold. The bill before the committee would extend it to \$10,000,000.

Committee members, intimating that \$5,000,000 might be a proper limit, took the matter under advisement.

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Would Let Hospital Increase Holdings

Abraham B. Casson, legislative counsel for the city of Boston, appeared today before the legislative Committee on Mercantile Affairs and declared that if the Boston City Hospital is to make use of the \$1,000,000 left it under the will of Charles B. Tyler, Boston attorney, it will be necessary for the Legislature to extend the financial scope of the city corporation.

Mr. Casson told the committee that under the present law the trustees of the hospital are limited to the sum of \$1,000,000 in the amount of real and personal property which they may hold. The bill before the committee would increase the amount to \$10,000,000. The speaker explained that the trustees now hold approximately \$1,000,000 in real and personal property, and that if the additional fund is to be made available, the law will have to be changed.

In addition, Mr. Casson said there are several bequests which will eventually come to the city and added that it was because of this that the legislation was introduced. The committee seemed to feel that an increase to \$5,000,000 would be sufficient. No action was taken and the bill will be discussed in executive session.

Haymarket Square Bill Passes House

The House, by a voice vote, yesterday ordered to a third reading the bill authorizing the city of Boston to borrow \$3,000,000 for the construction of a circle at Haymarket square and other improvements of the approaches to the new East Boston vehicular tunnel. An explanation of the measure was given by Representative Archibald M. Estabrook, who was in charge of the favorable report of the committee on municipal finance, after Representative Elliot Wadsworth had asked for it.

Representative George A. Gilman of Boston said he thought the bill was beyond the scope of the original petition but would not raise a point of order against it. He expressed the belief that the measure should not be tied up with the East Boston Tunnel Act.

The House reconsidered its action of last Friday when it referred to the next session the bill changing the date for assessment of taxes from April to January, allowing the payment of taxes due in two instalments on July 1 and Oct. 1. Representative Arthur I. Burgess of Quincy favored passage of the bill, saying it would save cities and towns much money. It was opposed by Representative Clyde Swan of Barre, who said it would increase the burden on real estate owners because if half the taxes were not paid on July 1 the owner would have to pay interest at 6 per cent. Representatives Clarkson, Otis of Pittsfield and Baker of Newton also spoke against it and on a rising vote of 91 to 34, the bill was again referred to the next annual session.

New Station for Police Is Refused

An unexpected outcome of the mayor's \$300,000 order for a new police station in West Roxbury was registered at the City Council meeting yesterday when Councilor Clement A. Norton led the fight for refusal of the loan and won. Mr. Norton contended that there are already too many police stations and too many policemen as well, compared with other cities, in view of the present mobility of the force through the use of automobiles and motorcycles. Boston should follow the example of New York and Philadelphia, he said, by reducing the number of police buildings.

But on the mayor's request for a similar loan to replace the Longwood avenue fire station with a new building on Parker Hill to provide better fire protection for the hospitals and schools in that section, the council took a different view and gave the mayor and the fire commissioner the right to go ahead, the vote being 17 to 3, Councilors Curtis, Dowd and Norton dissenting.

Street paving to the extent of \$500,000, the money to be raised within the debt limit, received a unanimous vote.

The council went on record as opposed to prohibition when it adopted with a unanimous vote a set of resolutions presented by Councilor Norton approving a "beer parade" in this city May 14. Councilor Norton announced that if the wet would organize a "beer parade" he would provide the American Legion band of Hyde Park to lead the procession and provide the marching music.

Broгна Resigns from Overseas

Vincent Broгна resigned today as a member of the Board of Overseers of Public Welfare of the city of Boston and stated in a letter to Simon E. Hecht, chairman of the board, that he was afraid that his recent political activity in the presidential primary in which he was a delegate pledged to Alfred E. Smith might be embarrassing if he should continue in office.

"I have just tendered my resignation to His Honor, the Mayor, as a member of the Overseers of Public Welfare," said his letter to Mr. Hecht. "I have been fearful that my recent political activities on the side opposed to His Honor, the Mayor, might be embarrassing to me and to the board, and that my adherence as a member of the board to certain policies might be misconstrued."

Mr. Broгна's letter to the mayor was as follows: "Please accept my resignation to take effect at once as a member of the board of overseers of public welfare. It certainly has been a great privilege to have had the opportunity of serving the community in the capacity of overseer of public welfare during the past two most trying years and I regret that I find myself unable to continue in the service."

Admit Redraft of Curley Welfare Bill

The redraft of the bill sponsored by Mayor James M. Curley, providing for reorganization of the city of Boston Welfare Department under a commissioner to be paid \$7500, as reported yesterday to the clerk of the House by the Legislative Committee on Cities. The bill would abolish the present board of twelve overseers, serving without compensation, and differs from the original Curley bill in that it provides for an advisory council of ten, serving under the commissioners originally planned. Five commissioners originally planned. Five members of the advisory council would be appointed by the mayor directly, and five would be selected by him from ten nominees designated by five recognized social service organizations.

AMERICAN

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CURLEY CUP TILT SUNDAY

The state champion Clan McGregor soccer eleven and the Beaton A. C. eleven in a first round match of the James M. Curley cup competition on Sunday will feature the coming week-end soccer program.

The contest will be played at Faxon Field, Quincy, which is one of the best soccer layouts in the state.

Another Sunday contest which promises to be a bitter struggle is the Boston Celtics and Dorchester Waverly tilt at Sullivan sq.

Readville will be the scene of the Hyde Park and Norwegian Americans clash on Sunday.

TRANSCRIPT 5/4/32

DEMOCRATS, NOT CURLEY, THE LOSERS

To the Editor of the Transcript:

Boston Democrats showed themselves to be surprisingly ungrateful in voting against Mayor Curley on Tuesday. They forgot the debt that we all owe him for keeping Boston free from bread lines and for his untiring efforts to find work for the unemployed. His judgment was sound in working for a man who has a real chance for the nomination at the convention, rather than give emotional allegiance to ex-Governor Smith, who seems to be the James G. Blaine of the present generation. The newspapers have stressed how much the mayor has lost. I think it is the Democrats who are the losers and perhaps Governor Ely and his friends, Mr. Donahue and Mr. Coakley, will realize that fact in November.

H. W. ROBBINS

Brookline, May 2.

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Much More Work Provided by City

**Mayor Signs Sewer and Street
Contracts Totalling
\$210,000**

A few hours after he had resumed his duties at City Hall today, after a week's sojourn in Atlantic City and New York, Mayor Curley signed contracts totalling \$210,000, thus offering work to more than 200 laborers. The contracts were for street and sewer work in Dorchester, Roxbury and West Roxbury, and also for the construction of a new bridge at Arlington street, over the New Haven Railroad tracks, to make possible the widening of that street, from Columbus avenue to Arlington square.

The mayor painted a gloomy picture of unemployment conditions as he had viewed them and as reported to him while away. In New York he had scarcely alighted from the train when two or more Boston men who knew him stepped up for a loan. They reported they had been in New York for a few days seeking work and were without funds. The mayor stated that one can walk not more than 100 yards along Fifth avenue, Broadway or other thoroughfares without viewing most pitiful evidence of distress. In Atlantic City he saw men at work on the streets and in the dumps who, he was told, were on the public welfare rolls and given two days a week in employment at \$2.50 a day.

"I am convinced," the mayor said, "unless Congress provides for a large amount of public works, next winter will see conditions much worse than last winter. Here in Boston we shall do all that is possible, and I only hope the money will hold out. Perhaps Boston is better off than other large cities; I hope so."

During the mayor's absence Joseph A. Rourke, commissioner of public works, had prepared an ambitious schedule of employment, including ten large sewer jobs, ten street resurfacings and the bridge contract. On the sewer work no machinery will be used for excavation, thus offering opportunity for the employment of more laborers. The largest contracts for sewers are for Maynard Brook street, Laurel and Ottawa streets, \$7550; Chiswick road, LaGrange and Beech streets, West Roxbury, \$14,000; Highland place and Walnut avenue, Roxbury, \$5273; Stanwood street, Dorchester, \$7970; Durnell avenue, West Roxbury, \$6193; West Seville street, More Road and Zellar street, West Roxbury, \$4271; Beafield street, Dorchester, \$4053; Guernsey street, Bowditch Road and Morse Hill street, \$11,135.

Contracts for asphalt street surfacing were signed for Darlington, Lucerne and Westview streets, Dorchester, for \$12,325, and for the laying out and construction of Walter street, West Roxbury. Another contract was awarded the New England Building Wrecking Company for the demolition of the old clubhouse of the Mosquito Yacht Club, South Boston, recently acquired by the city for \$15,000 to make possible greater bathing facilities at L street.

Relief Costs Now \$1,000,000 a Month

Boston's relief costs are running approximately \$1,000,000 a month. During the first four months of the year, the Public Welfare Department paid the record total of \$4,025,578 to the poor and unemployed, or twice as much as was paid during the corresponding period of last year.

Closing of the books for April showed that the city handed out \$1,048,000 last month, as the number of cases increased by 600 more applicants, bringing the total number of persons receiving aid from the city to 95,000. The payments for April of last year amounted to only \$577,510.

As the construction of the Kenmore square subway extension has been nearing completion, the veterans who were employed on the job, have been forced to appeal to City Hall for soldiers' relief, so that the payments to the veterans last month reached \$105,014, as compared with only \$26,142 during April, 1931, when hundreds of the veterans were working on the tunnel job.

In the budget \$7,000,000 was appropriated for poor and unemployment relief, which with \$2,000,000 from the publicly-contributed fund would make \$9,000,000, in all, available at this time. If the present demand for relief continues to the end of the year, it would be necessary to raise \$3,000,000 additional, which would represent a \$1.50 increase in the present \$31.50 tax rate.

SAYS ROWEN'S TERM AS TRUSTEE EXPIRED

**City Clerk Finds Naming
of English OK**

City Clerk Wilfred Doyle stated today that he was not in error when he informed Mayor Curley that the term of Dr Henry S. Rowen, as a trustee of the Boston City Hospital, had expired.

Mayor Curley has appointed Dr Martin J. English to take Dr Rowen's place on the board of trustees of the hospital, and some question arose as to whether Dr Rowen's term had actually expired.

City Clerk Doyle said he had rechecked his records and is convinced that the appointment by the Mayor yesterday was in proper form to fill a vacancy.

CURLEY ISSUES CALL FOR MOTHER'S DAY

**Says Choice of Day a
"Happy Inspiration"**

The following statement on Mother's Day next Sunday was issued yesterday by Mayor Curley:

"To My Fellow Citizens:

"What happy inspiration was it that suggested, some years ago, the establishment of a Mother's Day, and what further inspiration selected a day in the beautiful month of May, to be devoted to mothers the world over? In these perilous times, when a word of comfort is sought by all the classes, what is the stabilizing influence that holds up society, establishes order and prevents the world from slipping into chaos? Just one—MOTHER.

"The Roman matron, dowered with the world's goods, showed not these for a display of her jewels, but, calling her two sons to her and putting her loving arms around them, exhibited them to her visitor as her jewels. Here a mother's love was speaking. All else was earthly cross.

"And shall we not here in Boston make return to these mothers for the love which they have showered on this generation? Wanting nothing for themselves, praying for everything for others, they stand like pillars built in the similitude of a palace. It has been well said that the three most beautiful words in the English language are Mother, Home and Heaven. What is it that makes the home, and what makes home heaven? Surely nothing but mother. Well, has James Russell Lowell said,

"Many make the household, but only one the home.' Shall we not, therefore, unite with sons and daughters the world over next Sunday, May 8, and pay a tribute of love and reverence—yea of adoration—to her whose love stands as a great rock in a weary world. I am sure that her prayer for better times will be heard, where mothers' love is most powerful."

McELANEY REAPPOINTED TO BOARD OF APPEALS

James A. McElaney, president of the Massachusetts Lime & Cement Company, was today reappointed a member of the Board of Appeals by Mayor Curley.

KEY TO CITY OF GOOD TIMES



MAYOR CURLEY

HARVEY D. BURRILL

When Harvey D. Burrill, publisher of the Syracuse Journal and an executive of the Hearst newspaper general management, informed Mayor Curley today that he had found on a tour of the country a nation-wide sentiment that good times were due to return in the autumn, the mayor was so delighted that he gave Mr. Burrill a key to the city with a corkscrew and bottle opener attached. Photo shows the presentation. (Staff photo.)

BURRILL GIVES CHEERING NEWS TO CURLEY

Recounting his talks with business men throughout the country, Harvey D. Burrill, publisher of the Syracuse Journal and an executive of the Hearst newspapers general management, today told Mayor Curley that a wave of optimism indicates that business will be on the upward trend by next fall.

Mr. Burrill was presented with a key to the city by the mayor, the latter carefully calling attention to the corkscrew and bottle-opener attachment.

IMPROVEMENT COMING

He was presented to the mayor by Eugene M. McSweeney, an executive of the Hearst organization in Boston.

"I have made a circuit of the country and have found that business at present doesn't show any great improvement anywhere," Mr. Burrill told the mayor.

"The textile industry, the cotton industry, all businesses, are poor, but as I talked to business men they all seemed to feel that, fundamentally, business is trying to improve and they seemed optimistic.

REVIVAL TO BE QUICK

"Everybody expressed the opinion that by fall conditions will show an upward trend.

"Everybody seemed to think when business does get started in the fall normal conditions will come quickly."

Mayor Curley expressed his pleasure over the optimistic tone.

"It sounds good to hear a man who has had an opportunity to travel and study the conditions express an opinion as optimistic as yours," he said.

"I am hopeful that conditions will improve in the fall, as you say."

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ANCIENTS' CEREMONY IS PLANNED JUNE 6

Full Program for 294th Anniversary Announced

The 249th anniversary of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery, with the drumhead election of officers on Boston Common, is arranged for Monday, June 6.

As usual, the ceremonies will begin at 7:30 a m by the sounding of reveille, aided by the drum and fife corps, for Capt Joseph G. Maier, commanding, and his staff, in front of the Copley-Plaza.

After breakfast, at 9, a wreath will be laid on the grave in the King's Chapel burying ground of Capt Robert Keayne, who founded the company in 1638.

At the Ancients' armory, atop Faneuil Hall, there will be a luncheon from 11 until 12 noon.

Then the parade, starting from South Market st to State, Washington and School sts, will be reviewed by Mayor Curley at City Hall.

Passing along Tremont st and up Park, in front of the Hooker statue it will divide, the Infantry resting right on the Hotel Bellevue, the artillery and visiting delegations assuming the left stretching down Beacon st toward Charles.

Receiving in their midst Gov Joseph B. Ely, stepping down from the State House, the parade will remarch down Park st, along the Tremont-st side of the Common and up Boylston to the Old South Church, at Dartmouth st, where the annual services will be held.

After a march back through Back Bay streets to the Common, the drumhead election will be held and the new officers will be commissioned by the Governor.

The last act will be a parade to the Copley-Plaza for a reception at 6 p m and the banquet at 7.

Visiting delegations, though some may be very small, will probably include:

Lexington Minute Men, 1st Corps Cadets, 2d Corps Cadets, Salem National Lancers, Salem Light Infantry, a prize company of 64 cadets from the Boston Latin School under their instructor, Col George S. Penney, chief-of-staff of the 26th Division, M. N. G., Gen Lawrence Light Guards of Medford (101st Engineers), Worcester Continentals, Providence Light Infantry Regiment of Veterans, Bristol Train of Artillery, Varnum Continentals, East Greenwich, R I; Kentish Guards, East Greenwich; Newport Artillery, Governor's Foot Guards, Hartford, Conn; Putnam Phalanx, Hartford; New Haven Grays, Amoskeag Veterans, Governor's Horse Guard, New Haven; Old Guard, N Y; State Fencibles, Philadelphia; Fifth Maryland, Baltimore.

CITY'S RELIEF COSTS THUS FAR \$4,025,578

'32 Welfare Expenditures Are Exceeding Estimates

The care of the needy and unemployed cost the city of Boston a total of \$4,025,578 during the first four months of this year, it was announced yesterday at City Hall. This amount was paid by the Overseers of the Public Welfare of the city and does not include the many thousands of dollars paid by private agencies.

The sum is double the amount paid in the same period of 1931. If the monthly average were to be maintained throughout the year the total paid by the city would exceed Mayor Curley's recent estimate that public welfare will cost Boston \$12,000,000 in 1932.

March was the peak month of expenditure, with \$1,137,000. In April the city paid \$1,048,000 as against \$577,510 in April, 1931.

A belief that the cost may decrease during the Spring and Summer is based on the drop in April from the March total. There was \$89,000 less paid last month than in March. This decrease was made, although there was a net increase of 600 in the number of persons receiving aid. The city records show that about 90,000 persons are being cared for, wholly or in part, by the city.

Most of the money paid comes directly from the taxpayers, but a considerable sum was allocated to the city as a result of the recent \$3,000,000 drive by the United Boston Unemployment Relief Committee. Net subscriptions of \$3,082,651.81 were received in the drive and of this amount it is expected that the city will ultimately receive \$2,000,000 and private agencies the other million.

Directly after the drive, \$748,784.42, representing donations by Boston city and county employees, was paid to the Overseers of the Public Welfare.

CURLEY BACK FROM TRIP TO NEW JERSEY

Mayor Thinks Bread Lines Coming in Cities

Unless Congress and the States institute a program to provide work for the unemployed, it will be necessary to instal soup kitchens and bread lines in every city in the country and increase charity allotments 100 percent, said Mayor Curley, on returning to his office this morning, after a visit to Cape Cod, New York and New Jersey. He based his opinion on what he had observed during his trip. The Mayor appeared rested after his trip.

Mayor Orders Clear Beach at Strandway

Demolition of the old Mosquito Fleet Yacht Club on South Boston Strandway was ordered by Mayor Curley today. A contract was awarded the New England Wrecking Company at a cost of \$849.

The property was recently purchased by the city for \$15,000. When the structure is removed there will be a clear stretch of beach from the women's bathhouse to Columbia rd.

CURLEY WARNS OF BREAD LINES

Mayor Curley returned to his desk at City Hall today after a week's vacation on Cape Cod and in New York and New Jersey, and delivered the following succinct statement to City Hall reporters:

"Things I observed in New York and various cities in New Jersey lead me to believe that unless Congress adopts a constructive program to provide work, and unless the several states adopt construction programs to supplement that of Congress, it will be necessary to establish soup kitchens and bread lines in every city of the nation, and to increase charity allotments by 100 per cent."

CURLEY AWARDS STREET CONTRACTS

No Machines to Be Used on Sewage Jobs

Mayor James M. Curley returned to City Hall today after a vacation of nine days, to award contracts for permanent improvements amounting to \$210,812.

Provision was made in the contracts relating to the laying of sewage pipes, which amounted to \$69,537, that all excavating and trench work be done by hand labor. While the prohibiting of the use of machinery on these jobs will cost a little higher, it will furnish employment to many extra men.

The street paving contracts awarded today amounted to \$77,913 and the rest was for water piping.

TRAVELER

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M'GRATH CALLS MEASURE 'STEAL'

Says Council Should Have
Power to Pass on New
\$3,000,000 Tunnel Bill

WOULD ASK ELY'S VETO IF ENACTED

By JAMES GOGGIN

Councilman Joseph McGrath, a former president of the Boston city council, made a heated protest last night at what he described as an attempt by the Legislature to deprive the Boston city council of the right to pass on the acceptance of the pending \$3,000,000 street widening amendment to the East Boston traffic tunnel bill.

If the legislation is enacted as now drafted, McGrath and several of his associates will appeal to Gov. Ely to veto it.

McGrath described the entire measure as a "deliberate steal," and declared that the city council should be permitted to have a power of veto to protect the city from any manipulation.

The measure has replaced a bill sponsored by Mayor Curley. It provides for the widening of Cross street, the creation of a traffic circle in Haymarket square and the construction of a thoroughfare of a minimum width of 80 feet from Chardon and Portland streets to Friend street.

The bill also converts the transit commission into a street construction department and makes provision for the operation of the traffic control by the public works department, with the final approval of tolls vested in the state department of public utilities.

The new bill was reported by the committee on municipal finance as a substitute for the Curley measure. Comparison of this bill with the original petition of Mayor Curley discloses that the street widening projects, originally planned, and sponsored in part by Martin M. Lomasney, have been merged with the traffic tunnel project, with an addition of \$3,000,000 to the maximum cost of \$16,000,000 fixed by the 1929 Legislature.

The street commission, designated in the Curley bill, as the municipal department to supervise the proposed project, has been replaced in the amendment by the transit commission, which the bill strips of its power to operate the tunnel by placing authority in the public works department.

"It is the boldest deal that has ever been attempted," Councilman McGrath declared last night. "It has been described as a deliberate steal and there are many facts to warrant such a characterization.

"If it is the intention of those behind the deal to claim the fixed valua-

tion or sums in excess for their properties, the people of Boston have every right to protest. That protest can only be voiced by the city council.

SEPARATE MEASURE

"The phraseology of what is styled an amendment to the tunnel bill, but which is in reality a separate measure dealing entirely with street widenings, offers conclusive proof of the intent of whoever drafted the measure. It is a most peculiar bill. It reveals the handiwork of somebody schooled in street widening legislation.

"The reason for taking authority from the city council to pass upon this bill is very obvious. The mayor's bill stipulated that it would be without effect unless approved by the council but this so-called amendment to the tunnel act covers a great variety of things and entirely ignores the wishes of the taxpayers of Boston.

"In this time of stress when hundreds of small home owners face the loss of their properties, the method followed by the backers of this project is the only one that could be pursued with any hope of success, for no man directly responsible to the voters of Boston could possibly adopt such an attitude as the members of the Legislature from western Massachusetts and Cape Cod will do, without danger of serious consequences to them when they seek reelection. Apparently the welfare of the taxpayers of Boston has been given no consideration at the State House."

DISPOSAL OF PROPERTIES

Enactment of the bill would result in the disposal of numerous properties contiguous to Haymarket square, which are owned by real estate speculators, who were deprived of anticipated profits by the rejection of the Harriman-Fay route of the traffic tunnel, according to McGrath.

The argument favoring the \$3,000,000 street widening project is that a direct thoroughfare to the tunnel entrance at

Cross and Hanover streets must be provided to prevent congestion between Haymarket square and the tunnel plaza.

The wording of the final paragraph of the new bill first attracted the attention of the councilmen. It says: "Chapter 297 having been submitted to and approved by the city council of the city of Boston, in accordance with the provisions of section 15 thereof, this act in amendment of said chapter shall take effect upon its passage and without being further submitted to the city council of said city."

The measure empowers the transit commission to widen Cross street from Haymarket square to Hanover street, create the traffic circle in the square, and continue Chardon street, at a minimum width of 80 and a maximum of 90 feet to Friend street. The estimated cost of \$3,000,000 will be met by the issue of 30-year bonds to be a part of the traffic tunnel issue.

MOTHER'S DAY PLEA BY MAYOR

Urges Observance on Sunday in Official Proclamation

An appeal to the people of Boston to observe Mothers' Day next Sunday as a tribute to the spirit of motherhood was made last night by Mayor Curley in his official proclamation, which follows:

TEXT OF PROCLAMATION

"To My Fellow Citizens:

"What happy inspiration was it that suggested, some years ago, the establishment of a MOTHER'S DAY, and what further inspiration selected a day in the beautiful month of May, to be devoted to mothers the world over? In these perilous times, when a word of comfort is sought by all the classes, what is the stabilizing influence that holds up society, establishes order and prevents the world from slipping into chaos? Just one—MOTHER.

"The Roman matron, dowered with the world's goods, showed not these for a display of her jewels, but, calling her two sons to her and putting her loving arms around them, exhibited them to her visitor as her jewels. Here a mother's love was speaking. All else was earthly dross.

"Great Rock in a Weary World"

"And shall we not here in Boston make return to these mothers for the love which they have showered on this generation? Wanting nothing for themselves, praying for everything for others, they stand like pillars built in the similitude of a palace. It has been well said that the three most beautiful words in the English language are MOTHER, HOME and HEAVEN. What is it that makes the home, and what makes home heaven? Surely nothing but mother. Well has James Russell Lowell said:

"Many make the household but only one the home.' Shall we not, therefore, unite with sons and daughters the world over on next Sunday, May 8, and pay a tribute of love and reverence—yea, of adoration—to her whose love stands as a great rock in a weary world. I am sure that her prayer for better times will be heard, where mother's love is most powerful.

"JAMES M. CURLEY.
"Mayor."

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FAVORS ONE BOSTON WELFARE COMMISSIONER

Fin Com Report to Gov Ely Points to "Defects" in Administering Relief

Pointing out "defects" in the present system of administering relief in the city of Boston, the Boston Finance Commission has made a special report to Gov Ely in which it urges favorable action by the Legislature on Mayor Curley's bill for a single-headed Public Welfare Commission to replace the present board of Overseers of Public Welfare.

The Legislative Committee on Cities has not reported on the Mayor's bill, but is understood to stand 8 to 7 in favor of a redrafted measure which would authorize the Mayor to appoint a Commissioner of Public Welfare and the creation of an unpaid advisory board of 10 members. The proposed measure would fix the commissioner's salary at \$7500.

The report of the Finance Commission has been referred to the Committee on Cities by both branches of the Legislature.

The commission declares that "investigators found evidence that Boston's greater generosity in granting aid is attracting persons from other cities, and Boston is content to give generous aid, and later to try to collect from the cities or towns which set lower limits to the aid they will give."

Continuing, the report says: "Boston now has accounts totaling approximately \$1,000,000 against other municipalities, many of which will be contested by these other municipalities. These defects are all such as would be speedily corrected, with resulting benefit to the city, if the authority and responsibility were definitely fixed on a single commission who could give his whole time to the job."

Was Confusion on Orders

The report is signed by Frank A. Goodwin, chairman; Courtenay Guild, Joseph A. Sheehan and Joseph Joyce Donahue. It says in part:

"One of the faults found last year was that coal orders were issued in great confusion and practically without a check. Now the department administrators require approval by a

visitor before issuance. This would be sufficient check if there was frequent visitation of the case, but in the absence of frequent visitation, it does not protect the city from supplying fuel to undeserving cases.

"Another complaint was that when grocery orders were issued no information was obtained by the department officials to assure them the orders were properly used. Now one of three grocery concerns is giving the department a list of the articles purchased on the orders, but the other two continue to receive pay on mere statements of the amount, due in dollars and cents. No constructive use is made of the information given by the firm which submits the list of items purchased.

Groceries Instead of Cash?

"The Finance Commission also pointed out a year ago that it doubted the advisability of aiding the new class, the unemployed, on the budget plan, because in many cases aid thus given, amounting to \$20 or over per week, according to number in family, would kill incentive to find employment. Some time later, the department was required by the Mayor to set a limit of \$15 per week per family for unemployment relief, giving it in cash. The tremendous increase in the number of applicants forced this decision.

"Now as the demand continues unabated, and the necessity for cutting wherever possible becomes greater, it is a question if the authorities should not substitute groceries for cash to a greater extent. In a large number of cities, big and little, outside Boston, this practice is followed. If cash is given, there is always the possibility that the family may not benefit. If groceries are given, the wife and children, for whom they are in large part intended, will be more likely to receive food at least.

As to Bank Accounts

"On the matter of the verification of

bank accounts, the Finance Commission's investigation found that very often months elapse between the time when the department begins to aid a case and when it attempts to find out if the beneficiary has a bank account; also, that the method of performing this task is unreliable. The commission's investigations found in four cases bank accounts so substantial that when discovered the owners hastened to pay back to the city approximately \$800 received as aid. Other cases are pending wherein the commission's agents found without great effort bank accounts not discovered by the Public Welfare Department.

"The request forms for information from the banks are so broad as to necessitate a large amount of unnecessary work by the banks in preparing a reply, and yet they lack identifying details that are vitally necessary, if the reply is to be comprehensive and reliable. No reliable record remains in the department to enable anyone to determine later if a particular inquiry has been made of the bank, or what reply has been received, as no central control is kept.

Inquiry Difficulty

"The Finance Commission's representatives have tried in a number of cases to find out if a named individual or family was being aided, and experienced great difficulty because it was necessary to inquire in several places.

"In 1000 cases investigated by the Finance Commission, approximately 70 were found to be cases which the investigators believed should not receive aid from the city, for reasons which included maintaining a home beyond their means, excessive use of liquor by family aided, conditions morally unhealthy, squandering of aid without effort to help sustain, hidden bank accounts, hidden real estate ownership.

"In many cases the city aid was used in large part to pay insurance premiums, yet the overseers have not yet decided on a definite policy in regard to this practice, and have not worked out a method by which the city can obtain reimbursement if conditions in these instances change."

No Error Made in Dr. Rowen's Hospital Term

**Trustee for 16 Years Dropped
Because Mayor Felt New
Blood Was Needed**

No error was made in the expiration of Dr. Henry S. Rowen's term as member of the board of trustees of the Boston City Hospital when Mayor Curley announced the appointment of Dr. Martin J. English, his family physician, to succeed the veteran official. This fact was disclosed today by City Clerk Wilfred J. Doyle's searching of the records. Dr. Rowen was first appointed to the board by Mayor Curley in 1917 to fill an unexpired term. He was reappointed in 1922 by the mayor, in 1927 by Mayor Nichols, and that term expired on April 30 last. Dr. Rowen had thought that his term would expire a year from now, and that was also the opinion of Chairman Joseph P. Manning of the board.

Dr. Rowen's displacement by Dr. English has aroused much resentment among the surgeon's friends and has caused much uneasiness at the hospital. There is no hint of serious trouble in the board, but it is well known that Dr. Rowen, because of his intense interest in the administration of the institution, has been outspoken in his opinions. Nobody, however, looked for his enforced withdrawal at this time, and it has led to all sorts of speculation. One of the stories that gained ground today was that the retirement might be traced to the recent Smith-Roosevelt campaign in that a member of his family was somewhat active for Smith. But no hint of a political reprisal has come from City Hall.

It is a fact that the most pleasant relations have always existed between the mayor and the board, practically all of whom are appointees of the mayor. The board has comprised Mr. Manning as chairman, Dr. Rowen, Dr. George G. Sears, Carl Dreyfus and Karl Adams. They have been frequent visitors at the mayor's office, especially on matters connected with the physical expansion of the hospital. The mayor has also advised them as to matters of policy, being specially anxious to establish a much more intimate relationship between the medical and surgical staffs of the institution. During his previous administration those staffs were represented at board meetings. In the next four years the policy was abandoned and it has not been resumed.

Dr. Rowen had served as secretary of the board for years, and despite his active surgical practice had missed but few meetings during his entire tenure. He has been greatly devoted to the hospital not only as a matter of public spirit but because of the fact that he first entered the institution forty-one years ago as house physician. He and Dr. Sears are the oldest members of the board, though among the most active. Despite this fact, the mayor felt that a younger man, and one representing the medical side of hospital work, would add to the effectiveness of the board.

In announcing the appointment of Dr. English, the mayor stated that he was sending Dr. Rowen a letter of appreciation for his services in behalf of the poor and afflicted of the city during the past sixteen years at the City Hospital.

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DR H. S. ROWEN

**Gives City Hospital Post
to Friend, Dr English**

**Veteran Trustee Not Informed
of Impending Removal**

On his first day back in Boston after a trip to Cape Cod, New Jersey and New York, Mayor James M. Curley yesterday ended the career of Dr. Henry S. Rowen as a trustee and secretary of the Boston City Hospital board of trustees and made his intimate friend and family physician, Dr. Martin J. English, a hospital trustee.

The change came as a surprise to Dr. Rowen, who first heard of it last night from a Globe reporter.

"Maybe he is removing me," said Dr. Rowen. "My time is not up for another year, but he has the power and can do as he pleases, I suppose."

"I did not know that I was to be removed and what you have told me is the first intimation I have had of the Mayor's action."

Term Up, Curley Says

"Dr. Rowen's time expired on April 30," explained the Mayor, "and I decided not to reappoint him."

"Had you a reason for making the change?" he was asked.

"I haven't a thing against him," replied the Mayor. "I just decided not to reappoint him. That is all. Dr. English will assume office immediately."

It was said at City Hall last night that the Mayor, after his decision to appoint Dr. English, sent a letter to Dr. Rowen in which he praised him for the excellent work he had done at the City Hospital. This letter will probably reach Dr. Rowen today.

"There have been rumors about Boston," a reporter told the Mayor, "that you are going to make a number of other changes."

"I have no other changes in mind," said the Mayor. "I do not know anything about the rumors."

Dr. Rowen has been connected with the City Hospital since 1891, and has been secretary of the board of trustees since 1928. He lives at 33 Bennett st., Brighton. Dr. English lives at 520 Commonwealth av.

Makes Reappointments

The Mayor made a number of reappointments yesterday. Among them were Peter F. Tague as chairman of the Election Commission; Henry L. Dally, principal assessor; Nathan Heller, Transit Commission; Mrs. Eva Whiting White and Mrs. Cornelia M. McMahon, trustees of Board of Public Welfare, and Edward H. Willey, treasurer of Public Welfare.

Budget Commissioner Charles Fox and City Auditor Rupert Carven, city experts on finance, will, in addition to their regular duties, take hold in the Welfare Department, Mr. Fox succeeding Vincent Brogna and Mr. Carven succeeding Anders Tellstrom, resigned. Mr. Heller will succeed Assad Mudari in the Welfare Department.

Dr. Martin H. Spellman of 7 Lakeville pl., Jamaica Plain, was named permanent physician of the Boston Fire Department, to fill the vacancy caused by the retirement of Dr. William J. McNally.

Warns of Soup Kitchens

Mayor Curley, after his return yesterday, expressed the opinion that unless Congress and the States do something about the unemployment situation it will soon be necessary to establish soup kitchens and bread lines in every city in the country and increase charity allotments 100 percent. He based his opinion, he said, on what he had observed during his trip following the Smith-Roosevelt campaign.

In awarding contracts amounting to \$210,000 the Mayor announced that there will be no more machinery used in sewer works. On the 10 sewer contracts awarded yesterday excavation and back filling will be done by day labor in order to give employment to more men than would be working if machinery was used. The sewer jobs involve an expenditure of \$69,537.

Among the contracts was one for water pipe on Center st., West Roxbury, \$15,000; asphalt paving on Morton st., \$29,901; bitulithic paving on Groveland, River, Normandie and Seaver sts., \$22,292; sewerage on Maywood Brook, Laurel st. and Ottawa av., \$72,550; sheet asphalt paving on Darlington, Lucerne and West View sts., Dorchester, \$12,325, and sewerage, Guernsey st., Bowditch road, Morse Hill road, \$11,135.

The city paid \$15,000 for the Mosquito Fleet Y. C. property in South Boston, and yesterday a contract to demolish the building was awarded to the New England Building Wrecking Company, \$849. The wiping out of the building will give a clear sweep from the women's bathhouse at L st. to Columbia road.

Fin. Com. Insists on City Welfare Dept. Change

Urges Passage of Bill for Single Head to Replace Present Board

Declaring that the generosity of the city of Boston in disbursing welfare aid is attracting persons from other cities and that amounts totalling \$1,000,000 are now due Boston from other municipalities, many of which will be contested, the Boston Finance Commission today sent a special report to Governor Ely and the Legislature urging favorable action on Mayor Curley's bill providing for the establishment of a public welfare department in Boston with a single commissioner at its head, to replace the present board of overseers of public welfare.

The legislative Committee on Cities has not yet reported the bill, but it is understood that the members stand 8 to 7 in favor of the redrafted measure which would authorize appointment of a commissioner of public welfare and the creation of an unpaid advisory board of ten members. The commissioner, under the proposed redraft, would receive a salary of \$7500 per year.

The report, which has been referred to the Committee on Cities by both branches of the Legislature, sets forth some of the "defects" of the present system, and in one section states:

"The investigators found evidence that Boston's greater generosity in granting aid is attracting persons from other cities, and Boston is content to give its generous aid, and later try to collect from the cities or towns which set lower limits on the aid they will give.

Accounts Total \$1,000,000

"Boston now has accounts totalling approximately \$1,000,000 against other municipalities, many of which will be contested by these other municipalities. These defects are all such as would be speedily corrected, with resulting benefit to the city, if the authority and responsibility were definitely fixed on a single commissioner, who could give his whole time to the job."

The report, signed by Chairman Frank A. Goodwin, Courtenay Guild, Joseph A. Sheehan and Joseph Joyce Donahue, cites its special investigation of the welfare department in 1931 and its report to the mayor carrying recommendations "that the unwieldy, unpaid board of twelve overseers be supplanted by a single paid commissioner with an unpaid advisory council; that the work be entirely reorganized so as to supply proper checks on the granting of aid and on disbursement of it, and that the department obtain for itself sufficient room in which to perform the office work necessary for administration."

Requires Full-Time Service

"With approximately 100,000 persons per year now being aided by the department," the report says, "it must be apparent that authority and responsibility should not be allowed to be passed back

and forth between twelve unpaid persons and one paid subordinate, and it must also be apparent that to assume and hold control of the administration of a department that has such a large number of problems and cases, the persons so doing must be on the job all the time. It is not reasonable to expect that the unpaid board will give full-time service for no pay.

"Too much publicity of the millions the city is raising to distribute to the poor, and the numerous thousands receiving it, has without question tended to pile up the burden. The commissioner found many persons being given money who, even in prosperous times, had only seasonal work, but usually attempted to provide for the season out of work by saving during the time of employment. The commission found many cases of persons who cannot be induced to work, being aided on the strength of having dependents, yet the dependents rarely, if ever, received any benefit. In one case the publicity served to inform this class that the city would take care of those out of employment, and in the other case the publicity encouraged that class to go and obtain the aid.

"The Finance Commission's investigators could not find that the unpaid board had obtained any improvement in the visitation of cases. An application for aid causes an initial perfunctory visit and thereafter, in most cases, that is the end of the check of the need for aid or the use of the aid.

Doubts Use of Budget Plan

"The Finance Commission also pointed out a year ago that it doubted the advisability of aiding the new class, the unemployed, on the budget plan because in many cases aid thus given, amounting to \$20 a week, according to the number in family, would kill incentive to find employment. Some time later the department was required by the mayor to set a limit of \$15 a week per family for unemployment relief, giving it in cash. The tremendous increase in the number of applicants forced this decision. Now as the demand continues unabated, and the necessity for cutting wherever possible becomes greater, it is a question if the authorities should not substitute groceries for cash to a greater extent.

"On the matter of verification of bank accounts, the commission's investigators found that very often months elapse between the time when the department begins to aid a case and when it attempts to find out if the beneficiary has a bank account; also that the method of performing this task is unreliable.

Seventy Unworthy Cases

"In 1000 cases investigated by the Finance Commission, approximately seventy were found to be cases which the investigators believed should not receive aid from the city, for reasons which include: maintaining a home beyond their means; excessive use of liquor by the family aided; conditions morally unhealthy; squandering of aid without effort to help sustain; hidden bank accounts, hidden real estate ownership. In many cases the city aid was used in large part to pay insurance premiums, yet the overseers have not yet decided on a definite policy in regard to this practice, and have not worked out a method by which the city can obtain reimbursement if conditions in these instances change.

"These effects are all such as would be speedily corrected, with resulting benefit to the city, if the authority and responsibility were definitely fixed on a single commissioner, who could give his whole time to the job."

Dr. Rowen Loses Hospital Place Well Known Surgeon Dis- placed by Dr. English as Trustee

For the last sixteen years Dr. Henry S. Rowen, one of the best-known surgeons in New England, had served as trustee of the Boston City Hospital. Yesterday he was succeeded on the board by Dr. Martin J. English, the mayor's family physician. Today the mayor's action is the talk of the hospital, for there had been no hint that any change was contemplated. The mayor asserts that he acted on a report submitted to him by City Clerk Wilfred A. Doyle that Dr. Rowe's term had expired on April 30, whereas Dr. Rowen asserts that his term would not have expired until April 30, 1933. Mr. Doyle says he acted in accordance with the Boston Municipal Register, which gave the doctor's term as expiring last month.

Dr. Rowen, when informed that he had failed of reappointment, referred to that fact that it was Mayor Curley who appointed him first in 1916. He was surprised at the outcome, but expressed pleasure that he would be able to give more time to his private practice.

In announcing the appointment of Dr. English, the mayor stated that he was sending Dr. Rowen a letter of appreciation for his services in behalf of the poor and afflicted of the city during the past sixteen years at the City Hospital.

Dr. English is fifteen years younger than his predecessor, for Dr. Rowen has reached the age of sixty-five. He first entered the City Hospital service forty-one years ago when he became a house physician at the institution.

Reappointments announced by the mayor included Chairman Peter F. Tague of the election commissioners, Principal Assessor Henry L. Daily and Public Welfare Overseers Edward H. Willey, Mrs. Eva Whiting White and Mrs. Cornelia F. McMahon.

Budget Commissioner Charles J. Fox, City Auditor Rupert S. Carven and Transit Commissioner Nathan A. Heller were assigned to serve as acting public welfare overseers to succeed Vincent Brogna, Anders T. Tellstrom and Assad Mudarri.

The mayor also approved the retirement application of Patrolman Frederick H. Corser of the West Roxbury police station on account of illness. He had been in the police service since 1904.

Merry Scramble for City Jobs

Contractors are in merry competition for city work. On two items of public works considered today there were twenty bidders and on another seventeen. Coleman Bros. secured two of these jobs by approval of the mayor. This concern will build the Arlington-street bridge for \$42,002.50, to permit of the street widening from Columbus avenue to Arlington square, though its bid was a few hundred dollars higher than that of J. A. Singarella, and will also do the excavating, grading and construction of the steps at the Parker Hill playground for \$13,408. The third contract, for the construction of a field house at McConnell Park, Dorchester, was awarded to M. S. Kellner Company, for \$23,400.

FIN. COM. RAPS WELFARE AID

Asserts Several Cases Cared for Not Entitled to Relief

Defects in the administration of the Boston city welfare department were outlined by the Boston finance commission today in a special report to Gov. Ely and the Legislature. The commission asked support for the pending bill to replace with one paid commissioner the unpaid board of 12 members which runs the department.

The commission said that out of 1000 cases receiving city aid, which its agents investigated, 70 were found to be cases which the investigators believe should not receive aid from the city. Reasons why these cases were considered unworthy included: Maintaining a home beyond their means, excessive use of liquor by the family aided, conditions morally unhealthful, squandering of aid without effort to help sustain, hidden bank accounts, and hidden real estate ownership.

LACK OF ABILITY

The commission believes that the shortcomings of the present administration are due to a lack of ability to place responsibility between the members of the unpaid welfare board, who devote only a few hours a week to the job, and the executive secretary hired by the board.

The legislative committee on cities, which has the bill for the change in the department setup, has not reported it but it announced several days ago that the members stood eight to seven in favor of reporting it with some changes in the form from which Mayor Curley had filed it. The redrafted measure provides for a commissioner of public welfare at \$7500 a year and an unpaid advisory board of 10 members five of whom shall be named by the mayor and five by leading social agencies.

The special report of the finance commission was today also referred to the committee on cities.

AIDING NON-RESIDENTS

The report says in part: "The investigators (for the finance commission) found evidence that Boston's greater generosity in granting aid is attracting persons from other cities, and Boston is content to give its generous aid and later to try to collect from the cities or towns which set lower limits to the aid they will give."

"Boston now has accounts totalling approximately \$1,000,000 against other municipalities, many of which will be contested by these other municipalities."

The special report is signed by Frank A. Goodwin, chairman, Courtenay Guild, Joseph A. Sheehan and Joseph Joyce Donahue.

Among the defects in administration which the report discusses are the following:

1—Many persons who cannot be induced to work are being aided on the strength of having dependents, although the dependents rarely if ever receive any benefit.

2—Because of pressure of business, cases are not properly investigated and followed up.

3—Coal orders are being issued in confusion and without check. Fuel is being supplied undeserving cases.

4—When grocery orders are issued the department does not receive any information to assure them the orders are properly used. Two of the three grocery companies used do not furnish lists of the articles purchased.

5—Ownership of bank accounts by those aided is not properly checked.

CARVEN AND FOX GET WELFARE JOBS

Curley Names Them Commissioners of Board

To make certain of a constant check of the expenditures and activities of the public welfare department, long a heavy drain on the city's financial resources, Mayor Curley yesterday named Rupert J. Carven, city auditor, and Charles J. Fox, budget commissioner, members of the board of overseers.

In the absence of any formal statement explanatory of the assignment of the two experts in municipal finance to assume additional responsibilities, it was assumed that their principal obligation would be centred on the financial phase of the department.

Fox was named to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Vincent Brogna, a member of the delegation to the Democratic national convention pledged to Alfred E. Smith. During the campaign Brogna predicted that he would not long continue as a member of the mayor's official family and he was somewhat caustic in his criticisms of the mayor's political judgment.

The resignation of Anders T. Tellstrom gave the mayor a chance to replace him with Carven. Other trustees reappointed were Eva Whiting White and Mrs. Cornelia G. McMahon and Nathan Heller, reappointed a transit commissioner, was also named an overseer to succeed Asad Muddari, whose term had expired.

Edward H. Willey, treasurer of the overseers, was reappointed, as were Henry L. Dally, principal assessor, and Peter A. Tague, chairman of the election commission.

The appointment of Dr. Martin J. Spellman, 7 Lakeville place, Jamaica Plain, brother of Mgr. Francis J. Spellman, an attache of the Vatican, as permanent physician of the fire department, was announced yesterday afternoon. The rivalry for the coveted \$4000 post, vacated since the retirement of Dr. William B. McNally, was spirited and the formal appointment of Dr. Spellman was a deferred announcement of a decision reached months ago. For some months Frederick J. Bailey, deputy health commissioner, has been the acting department physician.

DR. ROWEN OUT OF OFFICE CLAIM

City Clerk Affirms His Term as Hospital Trustee Has Expired

City Clerk Wilfred J. Doyle today repeated his declaration of a fortnight ago that the term of Dr. Henry S. Rowen, secretary of the Boston City Hospital board of trustees, expired on April 30 and the physician was in error if he believed his appointment had another year to run.

Yesterday, Mayor Curley appointed his family physician and friend, Dr. Martin J. English, in place of Dr. Rowen as trustee. When he learned of the appointment Dr. Rowen declared: "Maybe he is removing me. My time is not up for another year, but he has the power and can do as he pleases, I suppose. I did not know that I was to be removed."

Mayor Curley declared he had nothing against Dr. Rowen. He said, "I just decided not to reappoint him. That is all."

City Clerk Doyle today said that Dr. Rowen was in error when he believed his appointment extended to 1933. The city clerk said he checks the official records and also the official municipal publications and found that the trustee's term expired April 30, 1932. He said the appointment of Dr. English was legitimate.

Dr. Rowen had been secretary of the hospital board of trustees since 1928 and has been connected with the hospital since 1891. He lives on Bennett street, Brighton. Dr. English resides on Commonwealth avenue.

TRANSCRIPT 5/6/32 City Council Will Protest to Gov. Ely

Feeling that it has been snubbed by the Legislature in the bill to authorize the Transit Commission to make the \$2,000,000 Cross-street widening without requiring approval of the act by the City Council, the members have asked an appointment with Governor Ely for Tuesday next.

President Edward M. Gallagher called upon Secretary DeWitt C. De Wolf yesterday and was assured that the governor would see the delegation at eleven o'clock on Tuesday. Mr. Gallagher's visit followed an informal meeting of the councillors, at which it was declared that their "intelligence had been insulted" in the drawing of the bill which is in the interest of the East Boston traffic tunnel.

Curley Gives Out List of Appointees

Returning to City Hall after a brief vacation trip to New York, Mayor Curley late yesterday announced a number of appointments and reappointments of municipal department heads.

Dr. Martin H. Spellman of 7 Lakeville pl., Jamaica Plain, was appointed permanent physician of the Boston fire department, filling the vacancy caused by the retirement of Dr. William J. McNally. The position carries a salary of \$4000.

Dr. Martin J. English, Mayor Curley's personal physician, was appointed a trustee of the City Hospital, succeeding Dr. Henry S. Rowen, whose term has expired.

Budget Commr. Charles J. Fox was appointed an overseer of public welfare, succeeding Vincent Brogna, resigned. City Auditor Rupert S. Carven was appointed to that board to succeed Anders T. Tellstrom, resigned, and Nathar Heller, in addition to being reappointed transit commissioner, was also appointed to the board to succeed Asad Mudarri, whose term has expired.

Others reappointed were Henry L. Daily, principal assessor of the city, Chairman Peter F. Tague of the election commission, Treasurer Edward H. Willey of the overseers of public welfare, Mrs. Eva Whiting White and Mrs. Cornelia G. McMahon, also of the overseers.

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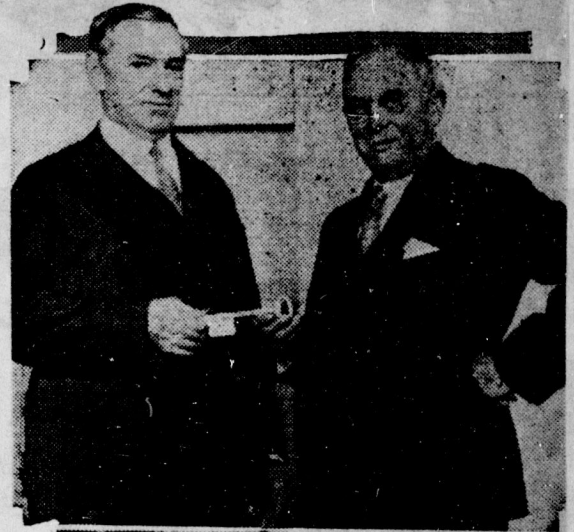
Contractors Must Employ Men in Place of Machines on Sewers

Mayor Curley returned to City Hall yesterday after a week's vacation in New York and other cities, and approved contracts for public improvements costing \$210,812, and announced that contracts for sewers contain a provision making it mandatory for contractors to use hand labor in excavating and trench filling.

How many more men will be required to lay the sewers which will cost \$69,537 than would be employed if the use of machinery were permissive could not be stated but the restriction about hand labor will make necessary the employment of many more men than would otherwise be needed. No important sewer jobs are included in the program.

Street paving contracts aggregated \$77,913 and provision was made to spend \$41,361.50 for the new Arlington street bridge, necessitated by the widening of the street from Columbus avenue to Tremont street.

Hearst Executive Honored by His Honor Harvey D. Burrill, right, publisher of the Syracuse, N. Y., Journal and an executive of the Hearst Newspaper general management, shown yesterday at City Hall as he was greeted by Mayor James M. Curley and presented a golden key to the city.



HERALD

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Mother's Day To Be Made Notable Here For Service Men Away from Homes

Mothers all over the world, rich and poor, young and old, will be honored Sunday—Mother's day.

The day will begin in Greater Boston with special sermons from the pulpits of every creed in honor of mothers. In a proclamation on Mother's day, Mayor Curley said yesterday:

What happy inspiration was it that suggested, some years ago, the establishment of a Mother's day, and what further inspiration selected a day in the beautiful month of May to be devoted to mothers the world over? In these perilous times, when a word of comfort is sought by all the classes, what is the stabilizing influence that holds up society, establishes order, and prevents the world from slipping into chaos? Just one—MOTHER.

Soldiers, sailors and marines, unable to visit their own mothers Sunday, will be given a home-cooked dinner in the Army and Navy Y. M. C. A. at City square, Charlestown, by mothers in the churches of Greater Boston. After the dinner there will be devotional services

dedicated to mothers. "Our Mothers" will be the subject of a sermon by the Rev. D. Joseph Imler, pastor of the Belmont Methodist Church. There will be an invocation by Capt. E. W. Scott, navy chaplain, and a welcoming address by Mrs. Sarah A. Woodward, hostess at the Army and Navy "Y" for the past 12 years.

On the entertainment program are solos by Raymond G. Haggett and Miss Anna Guild, a trombone solo by Miss Lena Claire Howe, a trumpet solo by Miss Ethel Burrill and a duet by Mr. and Mrs. Haggett. About 200 are expected to attend the dinner, which will be held in the "Y" gymnasium.

Assisting Mrs. Woodward are the following: Mrs. Arthur L. Clark, Mrs. John Harvey, Miss Lena C. Howe and Mrs. John A. Reitz, all of the Belmont Methodist Church; Mrs. Charles E. Black, Melrose Methodist Church; Miss Mary Adams, St. Paul's Cathedral, Boston; the Rev. Walcott Cutler, St. John's Episcopal Church, Charlestown; Mrs. Jose Castillo, Maplewood Baptist Church and Mrs. Emma Dosh, First Methodist Church, Boston.

ATTRACTED BY GENEROSITY IN WELFARE

City Will Attempt to Collect
From Communities Where
Beneficiaries Reside

Boston's huge public welfare expenditures are being swelled through aid given outsiders attracted to the city because of its more generous allowances.

Approximately \$1,000,000 is owed Boston by other communities, a large part of which will be contested.

These facts were placed before Governor Ely and the Legislature today by the Boston Finance Commission in a special report urging favorable action of Mayor Curley's bill reorganizing the Public Welfare Department.

Under the mayor's bill the present unpaid Board of Overseers would be replaced by a single commissioner with a salary of \$7500 a year and an unpaid advisory board of 10 members.

"The investigators," the commission's report stated, "found evidence that Boston generosity in granting aid is attracting persons from other cities and Boston is content to give its generous aid and later try to collect from the cities and towns which set lower limits to the aid they will give.

"Boston now has accounts totaling approximately \$1,000,000 against other municipalities, many of which will be contested by these other municipalities."

The commission held that "these defects" could all be corrected with resultant benefit to the city, if authority and responsibility were definitely fixed to a single commissioner who could give his whole time to the job.

DR. ENGLISH NAMED HOSPITAL TRUSTEE

Curley Chooses Him as Successor to Dr. H. S. Rowen

Dr. Martin J. English of 520 Commonwealth avenue, personal physician to Mayor Curley, was yesterday named by him to succeed Dr. Henry S. Rowen of 30 Bennett street, Brighton, as a trustee of the City Hospital. Beyond the statement that the term of Dr. Rowen, a trustee since April 13, 1928, and secretary of the board, had expired, the mayor made no comment.

Dr. English, a native of Worcester, where he was born in 1882, has been physician-in-chief of the pediatric departments at the City Hospital, St. Elizabeth's, Brighton; St. Margaret's, Dorchester, and the Whidden Memorial Hospital in Everett.

He was graduated from Holy Cross in 1903 and from Harvard medical school in 1907. He served as an interne in the City Hospital and the south department from 1907 to 1910 and until 1914 was resident physician in the south department.

He left the hospital to become identified with Base Hospital 7 at Camp Devens in charge of the treatment of contagious diseases and accompanied the unit to France. Later he was the physician to the inter-allied commission in Poland and since 1922 has practiced in Boston. He is a member of numerous medical societies and organizations of world war veterans.

Dr. Rowen was surprised at the change. His first information that he was to be replaced came from a reporter.

"Maybe he is removing me," Dr. Rowen said. "My time is not up for another year, but he has the power and can do as he pleases, I suppose. I did not know that I was to be removed."

It was said at City Hall that the mayor had sent Dr. Rowen a letter highly commending his service, and that the physician probably would receive it today.

Dr. Rowen, one of the best known physicians in the city, has been connected with the City Hospital since 1891, and has been secretary of the board of trustees since 1928.

CURLEY LED THE ROOSEVELT LIST

Official Tabulation of Vote
in Primaries

The Secretary of State's office today made public the official tabulation of the vote cast in the Presidential primaries, April 26. Mayor Curley led the Roosevelt delegation with 972 more votes than James Roosevelt, son of Gov. Franklin D. Roosevelt of New York. Mr. Curley received a total of 56,451 and Mr. Roosevelt 55,479.

As head of the victorious Smith delegates-at-large United States Senator David I. Walsh received 153,465.

The total vote received by each candidate for delegate-at-large was as follows, according to the official figures:

SMITH TICKET	
Walsh	153,465
Ely	119,172
Coolidge	143,351
Foley	143,352
Connerly	140,444
Douglas	139,875
McCormack	141,599
Granfield	139,080
Bacigalupo	135,977
Rotch	135,699
Cole	129,063
Fitzgerald	141,674

ROOSEVELT TICKET	
Curley	56,451
Roosevelt	55,479
Brennan	48,992
Cassidy	47,711
Moriarty	48,183
McLaughlin	47,522
Robichaud	45,226
Santostuo	46,060
Sullivan	46,836
Hurley	45,781
Hines	45,783
Hanken	44,520

The four delegates-at-large elected to attend the Republican convention, all pledged to Hoover, were led by Ex-Gov. Alvan T. Fuller with 57,534 votes. Ex-United States Senator William M. Butler was second with 54,503, Mary D. Potter third with 53,710, and George F. Booth fourth with 53,623 votes.

Representative Roland D. Sawyer of Ware, running for election as a Smith-plledged delegate-at-large to the Democratic convention, received a total vote of 5122 votes, insufficient to secure him election to the convention.

Think of Boston

People's Editor:

Mr. Norton of Hyde Park said in the city council that our city should follow the example of New York and Philadelphia. Mr. Norton, as a citizen, I say Boston can only follow the needs of her own citizens and you represent these citizens.

Forget other cities. Think of the people of Boston living in the homes of this city and who need every policeman we are fortunate enough to have serve us as protection today.

Mayor Curley is still working for us citizens of Boston, and it is too bad that he has men in his official family who are thinking of New York and Philadelphia instead of thinking with the mayor for the good of the people.

Don't touch our police department. My family and yours need these men on our Boston streets, and I don't know one of them.

Throngs at Houghton Sale; Mayor Lauds Industry Aid

Pictures on Pages 2, 3 and 8

Thousands thronged to Houghton & Dutton Co.'s big store today for the Greater Houghton Day values which were advertised yesterday in 12 full pages of the Boston Evening American.

From all parts of Greater Boston and from many outlying cities and towns, the shoppers—men and women alike—streamed to the store. Several communities sent buses with shoppers direct to the store.

CROWD GATHERS EARLY

An hour before the main doors at Beacon and Tremont sts. were opened by Mayor Curley, a large crowd had gathered, and mounted police were sent to protect them from passing traffic.

After the opening, the crowd increased swiftly and within a short time the entire seven floors and basement swarmed with shoppers. The store is open until 9 o'clock tonight.

Houghton & Dutton's super-sale at this time is evidence of the faith of the management in the revival of prosperous times, and an expression of confidence in the people of this section. The response testified to the soundness of the management's judgment.

MAYOR PRAISES IDEA

Mayor Curley was greeted by a representative of Vice-President A. W. Ackerman. He was escorted through the building and made the first purchase.

"I want to congratulate the management of Houghton & Dutton's on the tremendous gathering of people at today's Greater Houghton Day Sale," said the mayor.

"It was interesting to watch the people at the various tables and counters where they

swarmed buying not one but as many articles as they could carry.

"It is a tribute to the management of the concern to hold a sale of these proportions at this time, and the presence of this crowd is evidence enough that when true values are presented the people will take advantage of the bargains.

URGES STORES TO ACT

"What has been accomplished today by Houghton & Dutton's could be accomplished by every store in Boston. It would be a splendid idea if all of the stores in the city could be brought together by the Chamber of Commerce to hold a great Boston sales week in every store in the city.

"This could be done through newspaper advertising throughout New England. The sale at Houghton & Dutton's today convinces me of the value of the Boston Evening American as an advertising medium.

"This sale also convinces me that the way to end hoarding is not by pronouncements, but by properly advertising values."

CURLEY HIGH ON OFFICIAL VOTE

Mayor Curley forged ahead of James Roosevelt, son of New York's Governor, in the official count of the Democratic primaries issued from the secretary of state's office today.

Official figures, while showing that the Smith pledged slate won, changed unofficial figures and showed Mayor Curley instead of young Roosevelt top man on the Roosevelt slate of delegates-at-large. Curley received 56,451, against 55,479 for young Roosevelt. Sen. Walsh, with a total of 153,465 votes, was high man on the Smith pledged slate.

Official returns from the Republican primary showed that former Governor Fuller, with 57,534 votes, led the list of delegates-at-large pledged to the renomination of Hoover.

Curley Seeks Bill for New Building

Impressed by Plan of "L"
Trustees at Traffic Circle
on Charles Street

Impressed by the recommendation of Chairman Henry I. Harriman of the Boston Elevated Company trustees, that a \$500,000 building be erected in the new traffic circle at Cambridge and Charles streets to house the Elevated and Boston Transit Department organizations, Mayor Curley has instructed the law department to prepare a bill for the Legislature.

The Elevated trustees, now located in the Park Square Building, pay a rental of about \$80,000 a year and the lease expires in July of next year. The Transit Commission's headquarters are at No. 1 Beacon street where the rental is about \$15,000 a year. Mr. Harriman feels that to locate these two organizations in a single building owned by the city would mean a large saving in rentals, enough to pay all carrying charges on a new building for ten or a dozen years. The Elevated trustees would rent the building from the city and then have the transit department as their tenant.

Plans have been drawn for the proposed building and the cost has been roughly figured at \$500,000. Trains would pass in a tunnel through the lower part and a specially designed type of flooring would prevent noise from the trains interfering with the occupants.

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MAYOR CURLEY'S TRIBUTE TO PRESIDENT DOUMER

Mayor Curley today issued the following statement relative to the death of President Paul Doumer of France:

"The pathetic tragedy which marks the passing of President Paul Doumer of France, one of the world's most noted diplomats and administrators, profoundly shocks the entire world. President Doumer was one of the world's finest patriots and gave to the World War three of his five sons, who were killed upon the field of battle and the fourth died of his wounds at the conclusion of the armistice.

"His erudition charmed the people of France, as well it might, for, born in the year 1867, of the most humble parentage, he nevertheless received a degree at the famous Sorbonne, and at the age of 20 became a teacher of mathematics.

"From the age of 14 he was the sole support of a widowed mother and in the history of French politics was one of the most brilliant Ministers of Finance.

"It is indeed tragic that so distinguished a French patriot should suffer death at the hands of an assassin when about to open an exhibition of books contributed by French soldiers of the World War.

To Mme Doumer and the citizens of France the people of the city of Boston extend a most earnest tribute of their sympathy and condolence."

CAUSE FOR GRATIFICATION



MAYOR CURLEY

MR. ACKERMAN

The smiles that spread over the faces of Mayor Curley and A. W. Ackerman, vice-president of Houghton & Dutton Co., today shows the gratification the store head and the city's chief executive experienced of the success of the Houghton & Dutton Co.'s record-breaking sale last Saturday. (Staff photo.)

MAYOR PRAISES HOUGHTON HEAD

A. W. Ackerman, vice-president of the Houghton & Dutton Co., the man responsible for the record-breaking sale conducted Saturday by the store, was hailed as a capable executive, gifted with courage and vision, today by Mayor Curley.

Mr. Ackerman was called to City Hall to receive Mayor Curley's congratulations for the success of the sale.

"You are to be congratulated on the success of the sale conducted by your concern on Saturday and for your courage and initiative in undertaking it at a time when everybody is cowardly and depressed," Mayor Curley said to Mr. Ackerman.

"The large number of persons who stormed your store on Saturday seeking bargains is an indication that there is still a field for business providing first class goods offered at or below actual value.

"I am of the opinion that it would be the part of wisdom for the Chamber of Commerce or the Retail Trade Board to arrange for a sales week here and advertise it throughout New England. The stores would dispose of present merchandise and enter the field for new goods, thereby making a real contribution to the industrial life of New England."

Mr. Ackerman was presented with an autographed copy of Mayor Curley's photograph.

Post 5/9/32

MAYOR CURLEY NOT SNUBBED

Invited to Raskob Fete But Will Not Go

Mayor Curley was not snubbed by the committee in charge of the dinner which will be given tomorrow night to John J. Raskob at the Hotel Statler by a number of the State's leading Democrats. At his home on the Jamaica way last night the Mayor explained that he had received an invitation from Leopold M. Goulston, chairman of the Massachusetts Democratic victory campaign committee.

But the Mayor will not be at the dinner to the chairman of the national Democratic committee. "I will be out of town on Tuesday night," he explained. When his attention was called to reports that he had been snubbed he said, "Well, it might be just as well for me to let it stand that way, at that."

Dr. Rowen's Fine Record

The retirement of Dr. Henry S. Rowen as a trustee and secretary of the Boston City Hospital is a milestone in a career of long and honorable service by him to the people of Boston.

Dr. Rowen has been associated with the Boston City Hospital thirty-one years and for the past four years has been secretary of its Board of Trustees.

His service may be called a particularly noteworthy one. He has stood out like a monument of unselfishness in a generation when so many of our prominent people have been engaged in the mad scramble for personal wealth and too few have been willing to give their fine talents to the public service without recompense to themselves.

Boston City Hospital rightfully lays claim to being one of the great eleemosynary and scientific institutions of the world. This reputation has been secured no doubt in large measure by men like Dr. Rowen whose long service have given to it the advantage of a permanent program and a definite policy continuing over an adequate period of time.

The consolation of his retirement from his connection with the hospital is that his successor, Dr. Martin J. English, is skilled in the medical profession and is an estimable character.

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Curley Praises Swimming Plans

Indorsement of the free swimming campaign to be conducted by the Boston Y. M. C. A. from May 16 to 28 has been given by Mayor Curley.

"In carrying on this campaign, I am sure that the organization is doing a wonderful service, and I believe it should have the support of all good citizens," the mayor says. "The number of deaths from drowning in a year is appalling, and I am sure that the massing of a great number of people in your cause will so reduce the number of fatalities from drowning that the Y. M. C. A. will make still another claim upon the goodwill of the community."

Any man in Greater Boston, over eighteen, who does not know how to swim may get these free lessons by applying for an admission card at the Huntington Avenue Branch, Boston Y. M. C. A.

Dr. English Takes Oath as Trustee

Dr. Martin J. English, for several years Mayor Curley's family physician, took the oath as member of the board of trustees of the Boston City Hospital today, having no statement for the press concerning the position. Dr. English succeeds Dr. Henry S. Rowen, who served on the board sixteen years and who was not reappointed.

Maybe Mayor Curley thinks it was just a mistake that he was not invited to attend the dinner in honor of John J. Raskob, but then again maybe he does not believe any such a thing.

TRANSCRIPT 5/10/32

Women Win Appeal for New Street

Eight young women who are residents of Mattapan street, Hyde Park, made so strong an appeal before Mayor Curley today for the laying out and construction of their street that he ordered the street commissioners to proceed with the improvement without delay. One of the women reported that the street was so rutty and full of holes that her daughter of seven years had broken her leg there and had been forced to remain out of school seven weeks. For years it has been almost impossible for the fire department, coal trucks or delivery wagons to pass through the street for several weeks in the spring. The petitioners asked that only one end of the street, for a distance of 900 feet, be improved, and Commissioner John J. O'Callaghan estimated the cost at \$1600. The work was to be done last year, but the money was not available.

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BIG CITIES SHOULD HAVE TWO MAYORS

One For Social Functions and Another For Business, Curley Tells School Audience

The real difficulty of the Mayor's office is the demand on the Mayor's time. If he could give all his time to the social demands it would be very interesting, but that official wouldn't last more than a year in public life, Mayor James M. Curley told an audience of 750 members of the junior and senior class at the Jamaica Plain High School this morning.

The Mayor, whose address was the highlight in a series on municipal government conducted by Headmaster Maurice J. Lacey, speaking of the many social affairs a Mayor is supposed to grace with his presence, stated that it would be a great thing if there could be a social Mayor as well as a business Mayor in the major cities of the country. He would himself, he said, prefer to be the business Mayor.

Last night, he told his youthful audience, he was all prepared to spend a quiet evening at home, with some visitors from the West expected, when a delegation arrived asking that he attend a testimonial given a public official in one of the Back Bay hotels. He had it impressed on him that many of that official's family and friends were there and that his presence was urgent.

He acceded to the request. As he emerged from the place, he was met by a group, representing a fraternal order which was in session nearby, which informed him that several hundred persons were gathered at a meeting and would like to have him speak. He went, and at its conclusion he remembered that he was to address a woman's group. He almost forgot about this morning's engagement, he said, as a result.

The Mayor, speaking leisurely and in a low tone of voice, gave the pupils a highly interesting talk on the functions of his office, letting them in, at the same time, on some of his great problems, and giving them a bird's-eye view of the work of a great municipality as it relates to his own responsibilities.

He referred to the great increases in the Public Welfare, Hospital and Correctional Departments, which he said were due to the present economic conditions.

With regard to the Public Welfare Department, which he said, is now aiding 21,000 families, with an expenditure necessary, of \$1,000,000 a month, and representing one in eight to be helped, Mayor Curley pointed out that in the next two months, the city will probably be obliged to aid one out of every seven persons. In Detroit, he said, 600,000 are on the city rolls, or one out of every three, and in New York, there are 1,300,000 persons on the charity

rolls, out of a population of less than 6,000,000, or one in every five persons.

He further stated that if the national and State Governments don't embark on construction programs, providing additional employment, the probability is that next Winter, one out of every three persons will be on the charity rolls.

Reveals Conditions

Increasing numbers, he said, are seeking the aid of municipalities. Everybody is hoping in America that sometime the unemployment problem will be unknown and that poverty will be abolished. Therefore, he continued, an effort is being made to work out a plan to bring about these happy results. He pointed out that there is a state of transition now, but that unless this evolution for the better comes about, the country may face revolution.

He pointed to the enormity of the present unemployment problem, with, he said, approximately 10,000,000 unemployed, 10,000,000 employed part time, and some 10,000,000 more who have received reductions in wages.

He revealed, probably for the first time, that, according to the chief surgeons and physicians in charge of the hospital, that one of every 10 persons who come to the hospital come as a result of self-inflicted wounds. They break a leg, an arm or suffer some other injury, he declared, that they might have some one to take care of them and shelter them.

The correctional institution at Deer Island, he continued, has normally from 400 to 500 inhabitants. Since this year, there have never been less than 600 persons on the island. "The hotel has become much more popular than any on the mainland," he added, smilingly.

Final Talk in Series

"When a man slaps an officer in the face, or breaks a window in front of an officer, it isn't because he has lost his reason. It's simply because he wants to go back to the 'hotel' and get three meals a day," he said.

Mayor Curley's talk was in the final one in a series of addresses by heads of various municipal departments designed to give the pupils an insight into city affairs. Some 12 persons have spoken at these assemblies. The addresses are made the subject of questions formulated by pupils in the junior and senior classes for the purpose of stimulating this interest. The series has made a great impression, and the messages brought by these public officials have been carried into the homes. A review of the whole course is to be made in a short time.

COUNCILMEN WILL ASK VETO OF TUNNEL BILL

Senate Passes \$3,000,000
Measure in Heated
Session

ERLAND F. FISH AND ASSOCIATES CLASH

Parkman Resents Lobby
Suggestion—Warren
Raps Bottomly

After a debate in which Senator Erland F. Fish of Brookline, Republican floor leader, was chided by two of his party associates, the Senate yesterday passed to be engrossed the bill authorizing the expenditure of \$3,000,000 by the city of Boston for street widenings and traffic improvements in connection with the construction of the East Boston vehicular tunnel.

The measure already has been engrossed by the House. It requires only enactment by both branches to be ready for Gov. Ely's consideration.

Members of the Boston city council will call on the Governor this morning to veto the bill, if it reaches his desk, unless it be amended to provide for acceptance by the council. Councilman Joseph McGrath of Dorchester denounced the bill in its present form at yesterday's council session. He charged that it will set the stage for a situation by which the taxpayers of Boston will be mulcted of \$1,000,000 in questionable land damage awards.

During the progress of the sharp debate in the Senate, Senator Charles C. Warren of Arlington told his associates that he was suspicious of the provisions of the bill, because of the active participation in obtaining passage by Robert J. Bottomly and because of the interest in it demonstrated by Martin M. Lomasney.

The ire of Senator Henry Parkman, Jr., of Boston, was aroused when his request for postponement until tomorrow was opposed by Senator Fish on the ground that delay would expose the senators to the operations of a lobby, which, he declared, already was functioning.

RESENTS STATEMENT

Obtaining immediate recognition Senator Parkman said, "I resent the statement of the Brookline member (Fish)

now, but I suggest that we ask Robert Bottomly. He knows."

Senator Cornelius F. Haley of Rowley was the only member to join Parkman and Warren in the attempt to obtain postponement, which was denied by a rising vote of 12 to 9, while a subsequent motion by Senator Joseph Finnegan to postpone further consideration until today was defeated by a rising vote of 17 to 6. Engrossment prevailed on voice vote.

WARREN AND BOTTOMLY

Senator Warren said the activity of Bottomly on the bill placed him in a mental situation whereby "I could not help smelling a rat." He declared that it was the general belief that the original \$16,000,000 tunnel appropriation was to have included the approaches. His suspicions of something questionable were further aroused, he said, when he learned that plans had been filed by Bottomly with the secretary of state during the progress of the debate.

He charged that the failure to include a provision referring the bill to the city council for acceptance was an insult to that body which should not be tolerated.

In replying to the statement of Senator Samuel H. Wragg of Needham that the committee on municipal finance was not attempting to protect any real estate interests, Warren made the suggestion that "This scheme was put in here probably by a group of men who already have options on property along the way in their pockets."

In paying his respects to Lomasney, Senator Warren said "And how about Martin Lomasney? Oh yes, I feel quite sure he is interested in this bill. Mr. Lomasney, who has done so much in the West end for the people, and for himself. You remember we have a state building being erected down there, and I imagine the Governor asked Martin how it would be to build the public works building down there. In all probability Martin said he would be delighted to have it down there. It is now under construction on the worst site that could have been selected by the commonwealth."

Senator Wragg insisted that it represented an improvement the need for which was imperative. He denied that any effort was being made to jam it through. Senators John P. Buckley of the West end and Arthur W. Hollis of Newton supported Wragg's position.

Joining again in the debate Senator Parkman charged that when the bids were opened it had been stated that the tunnel would cost \$12,000,000, leaving the remaining \$4,000,000 for approaches. "A Chicago firm," he continued, "bid \$9,000,000 for the construction of the tunnel itself. I want to know what happened to the other \$3,000,000. I want to know if it has been allocated or what has happened to it?"

He questioned whether the bill contained provisions to protect the city against land sharks and speculators from making enormous profits. He charged that the Senate had wrangled for five weeks on a small appropriation bill for unemployed relief and yet would deny him the courtesy of a 48-hour delay to examine this \$3,000,000 draft.

In attacking the measure at the city council session, McGrath challenged the intentions of the Boston Real Estate Exchange because of the position it had taken in opposing the courthouse enlargement act and the \$1,000,000 City Hospital extension bill while favoring the \$3,000,000 tunnel act.

McGrath contended that the wording of the bill was so indefinite that the transit department would be bound by no restraining authority under its terms. He attacked the proposed Haymarket square traffic circle as inadequate. He discussed the city's policy of paying 10 per cent. above assessed valuation for property taken in connection with the tunnel project. He declared that the old Haymarket Hotel could be bought for \$70,000 and yet under the 10 per cent. arrangement the widening deal will permit the city to pay \$187,000.

"It is quite peculiar," said McGrath "that Corporation Counsel Silverman has explained that the plan of this \$3,000,000 project was not filed with the transit department because it had been drawn at the instigation of the chairman of the legislative committee on municipal finance, Senator Wragg. No one knows anything about it apparently, but Wragg and his associates and I have been told by an expert in legislative history that this is the first time that any bill has been drawn which specifically sets forth that the city council of Boston shall have no authority to pass upon the measure."

"Easily \$1,000,000 of the taxpayers' money is to be wasted and it appears as if a movement has been started to turn over to the Legislature every street widening in the city of Boston."

TRAVELER 6/10/32

COUNCIL REFUSES TO CUT LAND PRICE

Some Members Approve Sale
Of Chestnut Hill Site

The city council refused yesterday to authorize the sale for \$133,000 of 66,000 square feet of land at Chestnut Hill and Commonwealth avenues, for which no buyers have offered the previous upset price of \$200,000.

Despite the prediction of Chairman McGrath of the committee on public lands that it will be impossible to obtain an offer of \$75,000, 10 councilmen refused to vote for the recommended reduction. Among them were men unalterably opposed to the sale of the land, which they believe is needed for park purposes.

The councilmen who forced the rejection of the committee recommendation were Curtis, Norton, Kelly, Dowd, Burke, Cox, Donovan, Fitzgerald, Murray and Roberts.

Councilman Hein of Brighton, who led the fight during the past two years to prevent approval by the council of the proposal of Mayor Curley to dispose of the land, was the foremost advocate of its sale yesterday. He said he had the assurance of the mayor that the money derived from a sale would be expended for the development of the Cleveland Circle playground near. His effort to obtain reconsideration of the reelection vote failed.

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CURLEY SAYS HE HAS NO CAMPAIGN REGRET

Speaks at Dinner in Honor of Joseph A. Scolponeti

Despite his overwhelming defeat in the Presidential primary campaign, Mayor James M. Curley has no regrets for the course he took in the campaign "and as the days go on I will have less regret, for we fought for two principles, justice and equality for all the people, which are their Constitutional guarantees," he told 500 friends of Joseph A. Scolponeti, newly appointed assistant corporation counsel of the city, who gathered at the Copley-Plaza last night to pay him tribute.

Joining with a large and distinguished list of speakers in honoring Mr Scolponeti, the Mayor declared that Mr Scolponeti commands the respect of leaders in all walks of life. He praised the "sterling qualities of the entire Scolponeti family—two fine parents, who represent an aristocracy of character and race; six beautiful girls and three wonderful boys. Perhaps the equal of this family is not to be found in any other city in the country."

Predicts Rapid Rise

The Mayor said that he was moved to appoint Mr Scolponeti as the assistant to Corporation Counsel Samuel Silverman when he realized that he was an individual of marked loyalty, character and ability. He predicted that "Joe" Scolponeti's rise in public life would be rapid.

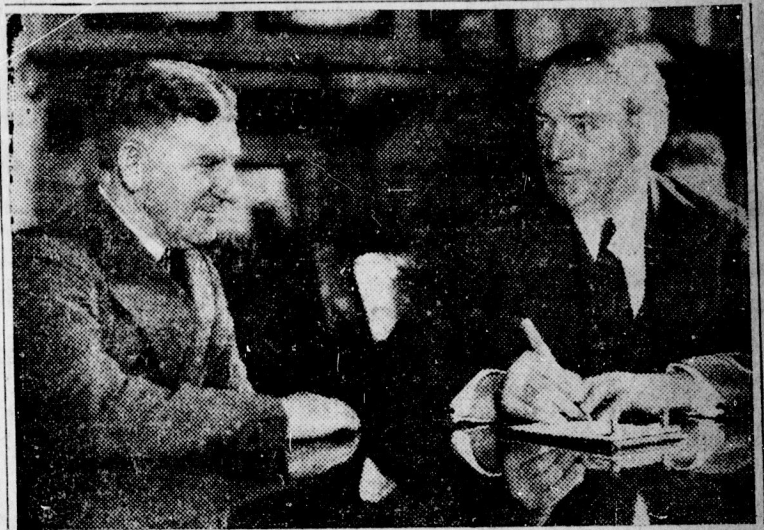
Many leaders of the bar, judges of the courts and business men from varied walks of life were the guests at this dinner in the hotel main ballroom. From the moment that attorney Thomas H. Bresnahan introduced State Treas Charles F. Hurley as the toastmaster, "Joe" heard himself praised at every turn. Classmates at Boston College hailed him as "a credit to the bar;" attorneys called him "fair, fearless and lenient" in his dealings with those before the courts; others referred to him as "a true friend, a brilliant advocate, a splendid gentleman in every respect."

All the speakers told of Mr Scolponeti's struggles to get ahead, of his assiduous studies and his burning of the midnight oil over his law books, of his honorable and tolerant treatment of the distressed.

List of Speakers

The speakers included Asst Atty Gen Stephen D. Bacigalupo, Asst Dist Atty Frank G. Volpe of Middlesex, Judge Frank Leveroni of the Boston Juvenile Court, Judge Felix Forte of the Somerville District Court, attorney Saverio R. Romano, Corporation Counsel Samuel Silverman, Judge Joseph T. Zottoli of the Boston Municipal Court, Traffic Commissioner Joseph A. Conry, Judge Allan C. Buttrick of the Second District Court of Worcester, and Edward A. Pecc, general chairman of the committee on arrangements.

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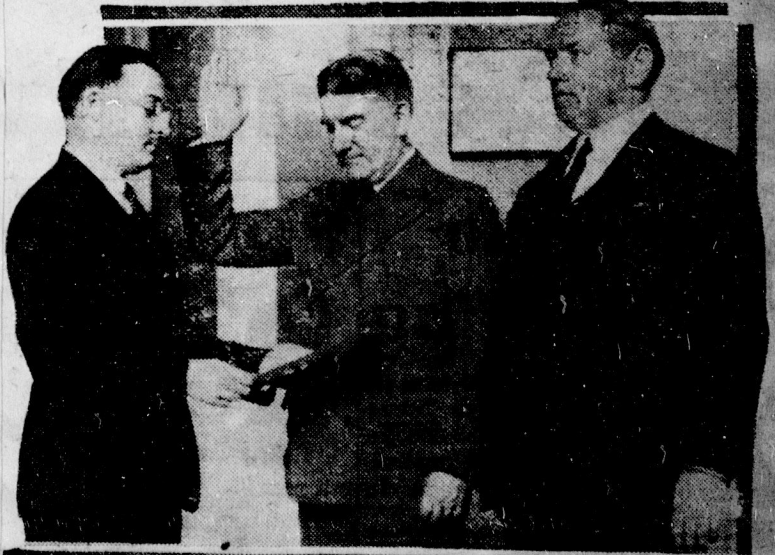
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Dr. English Takes Oath as Hospital Trustee



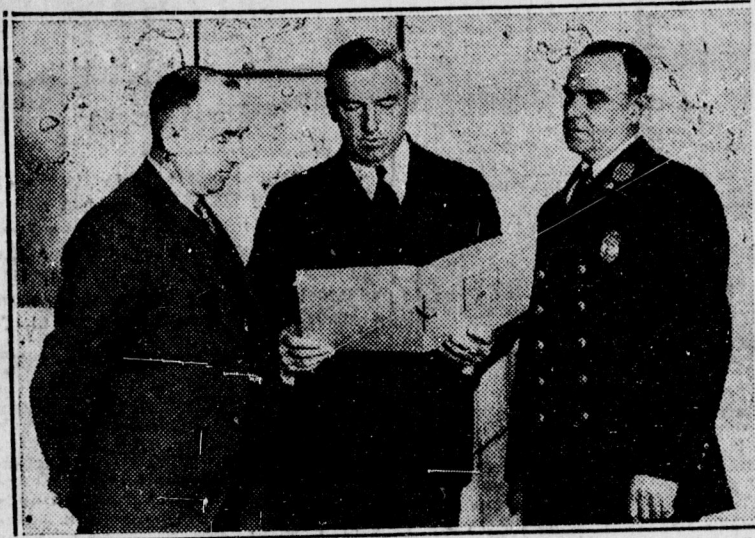
Dr. Martin J. English, noted surgeon and personal physician to Mayor James M. Curley, shown at City Hall yesterday as he was sworn into office as a trustee of the Boston City Hospital. Left to right, Assistant City Clerk John B. Hines, Dr. English and Mayor Curley.

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TRAVELER 5/10/32

WARNS TWO CHIEFS NOT TO PAY FOR PROMOTIONS

Mayor Curley Advances Daniel J. Hurley and Edward
N. Montgomery in Fire Department



NEW CHIEFS AT MAYOR'S OFFICE
Left to Right—Edward Montgomery, Mayor Curley and Daniel J. Hurley.

Serving notice on two new fire chiefs today that they might be approached by someone claiming to have aided in the promotions, Mayor Curley told them that they were first and second on the list and not to pay anyone. Moreover, the Mayor warned, if he found that anyone was paid he would discharge payor and payee.

The men promoted to district chiefs were Capt Daniel J. Hurley of Rescue Squad 1 and Capt Edward N. Montgomery of Engine 31, a fireboat. The first named has been in the department 30 years and was made a captain in 1921. The last named is 18 years in the department and was made a captain five years ago.

FIRE CAPTAINS ARE PROMOTED

Mayor Curley Warns Both
Against Paying for Their
Higher Rank

Capt. Daniel J. Hurley of rescue company No. 1 of the Boston fire department and Capt. Edward N. Montgomery of engine 31 were promoted today to be district fire chiefs. Mayor Curley told the two new district chiefs that he wanted to impress upon them the promotions were made on their merits and he warned them against the possibility of being approached by some person who might claim they were responsible for obtaining the promotions. The mayor warned: "If I find out you pay any one for the promotions, I'll fire both of you."

The promotions fill the vacancies caused by the retirement of District Chiefs Charles H. Long and Francis J. Jordan. The two new men headed a civil service list of captains eligible for promotion.

Hurley lives at 91 Sumner street, Dorchester. He has been in the department since Oct. 4, 1901, and has been a captain since Dec. 19, 1921. Montgomery lives at 26 Annavoy street, East Boston, and has been a member of the department since Feb. 2, 1912. He was made a captain May 29, 1927.

Montgomery formerly was a private in rescue company 1, which Hurley commanded. The appointment brings to five the number of district chiefs who worked with Hurley in No. 1, the other three being District Chiefs Daniel Martel, Dennis J. Coughlin and Joseph W. Shea.

Dr. Rowen—Dr. English

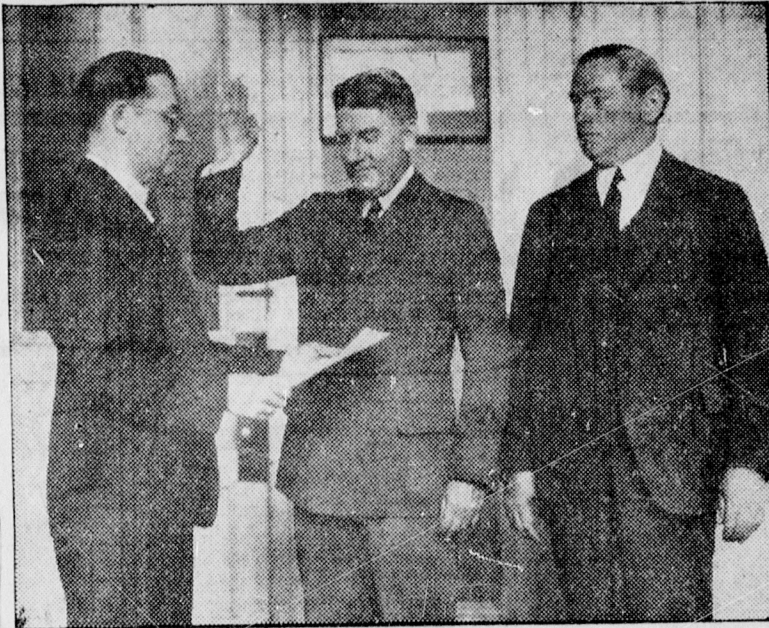
DR. HENRY S. ROWEN, one of Boston's most unselfish citizens, has retired from the board of trustees of the Boston City Hospital.

During the thirty-one years of the doctor's association with the hospital, countless thousands of persons benefited because of Dr. Rowen's fine mind and great heart.

Dr. Rowen's private patients are glad to have him again to themselves, because at no time did he hesitate to leave them to attend to his duties at our great hospital. The institution itself long will bear the impress of his personality and policies.

Dr. Rowen's place on the board is taken by Dr. Martin J. English. The appointment of Dr. English shows again that Boston is rich in professional skill and in public-spirited citizens, generous in the giving of their time and talents to their less-fortunate fellow-men and women.

NEW TRUSTEE OF CITY HOSPITAL



Dr. Martin J. English, Mayor Curley's personal physician sworn in by John B. Hines, assistant city clerk, while Mayor Curley looks on.

CITY COUNCIL VOTES
TRIBUTE TO DR. ROWEN

Dr. English Sworn in as Trustee of
The City Hospital

A resolution commending the service of 31 years of Dr. Henry S. Rowen whom Mayor Curley declined to re-appoint a trustee of the City Hospital, last week, was adopted by the city council yesterday. It was offered by Councilman Dowd of Roxbury, who extolled the long service of Dr. Rowen as a member of the hospital staff and as a trustee for 16 years.

Dr. Martin J. English, Mayor Curley's personal physician, was sworn in yesterday as Dr. Rowen's successor.

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TWO MAYORS NEEDED,
CURLEY TELLS PUPILS

All big cities should have two Mayors—one for social functions and the other for business, Mayor Curley believes, having found that one of the greatest difficulties of the Mayor's office is the demand on his time.

Mayor Curley expressed this opinion yesterday, speaking before an audience of 750 members of the junior and senior classes at the Jamaica Plain High School in one of a series of municipal government lectures being conducted by Headmaster Maurice J. Lacey.

MAYOR CONGRATULATES
BALTIMORE ARCHBISHOP

Mayor Curley yesterday sent a telegram of congratulation to Archbishop Michael J. Curley of Baltimore, an old and esteemed friend of the Mayor, upon the Prelate's advancement to the office of assistant to the Pontifical Throne at Rome, wishing him every blessing and happiness in his new office.

Upon the Mayor's last visit to Baltimore he was the guest of Archbishop Curley at the latter's residence.

TRAVELER

Mayor Warns New Chiefs

TWO fire captains in Boston were made district chiefs and, in handing out their certificates of promotion, Mayor Curley said to the two men:

"If I find out that either of you paid any one for these promotions, I'll fire both of you."

Whereupon some of our most callous cynics remark:

"Oh, yeah!"

Just to keep the facts of these matters straight, it might be well to give some first-hand information on fire department promotions. We have exact inside knowledge of the comparatively recent promotion of four fire lieutenants to captaincies in the Boston department. Not one cent was necessary for these promotions. We know.

But—ah, but! This city of ours has plenty of chisellers who go to men at the top of civil service lists and profess to be able, for \$300 or more, to assure the appointment. It is simply a racket. These men pocket the money. If one of these crooks approaches you, call a policeman. If you happen to be a policeman, call a patrolman.

"PROMOTION FIXERS"
WARNED BY CURLEYMayor Accuses Previous
Administration

Official warning was given "fixers" by Mayor James M. Curley yesterday that they must not function in connection with promotions of city employees.

The warning was issued by the Mayor when he appointed Capt Daniel J. Hurley of Rescue Squad 1 and Capt Edward N. Montgomery of Engine 31, a fireboat, district chiefs.

"Somebody," said the Mayor as the two fire officers stood before him in City Hall, "may try to collect for these promotions, but pay them nothing. If you do, I will fire both of you and the man who does the collecting."

Was Common, Says Mayor

Amplifying his warning, the Mayor said last night: "My statement to the new district chiefs was a precautionary measure. In a previous administration it was a common practice to buy promotions. I have not made any appointments in the Fire Department for some time and today I served notice that I am not going to stand for any promotion-buying while I am Mayor. What I said today should be remembered by all employees of the city."

"So far as I know, the promotion grafters have not done any business during my administration, and they won't. I mean exactly what I told the district chiefs. I will fire anyone who has any connection with the practice that flourished during the previous administration."

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Two Expensive Transit Plans Urged by Mayor

Subways Under Huntington Ave. and from Lechmere Sq. to Provide Jobs

Though Mayor Curley failed at today's special session of the Metropolitan Transit Council to secure acceptance of a proposal urged by him at yesterday's meeting, for an appeal to the Legislature in behalf of two rapid transit extensions, he has called for another meeting a week from today at City Hall, hoping in the meantime to secure the necessary votes.

Mayor Curley, at the behest of American Legion groups, seeks emergency legislation at this session to authorize an extension of the subway from Arlington street under Huntington avenue to Brookline Village and an extension of the rapid transit system from Lechmere square, Cambridge, to Davis square, Somerville. Each project is estimated to cost \$10,000,000. Each has been long discussed by various civic groups.

Yesterday, when the mayor raised the question before the transit council, no quorum was present. Today there was a quorum but too much opposition to warrant a vote. The mayors of Newton and Everett objected to any such agitation in these days of depression, preferring to handle their unemployment situations from public welfare money and

frankly stating that nothing was to be gained by "camouflaging the situation. Mayor Curley argued at length on the feasibility of providing "worth-while work" so that the various communities might have something substantial to show for the money necessary to be expended in public relief.

It was a very gloomy picture which Mr. Curley painted of conditions in Boston, which, he declared, must be correspondingly reflected in the other communities. With the Governor square extension of the subway nearing completion, there will be a gradual decrease in the forces employed, 150 men to be discharged this week and similar groups a few weeks later. At one time a total of 1500 able-bodied veterans of the war were engaged in this \$5,000,000 enterprise which the Boston transit department has conducted, a majority of whom, at least, will sooner or later apply to the Soldiers' Relief Department for help, unless general business rapidly improves.

Already, as the mayor explained, the soldiers' relief disbursements have increased 300 per cent over those of last year and the daily applications are many. If the two transit project mentioned were to be authorized, the mayor explained, 6000 of the idle former service men could be put to work within ninety days and there would be plenty of work for that number for two years and a half.

The mayor's position was strongly supported by the unemployment committee of the Suffolk County Council of the American Legion, James E. Conway, commander; Oscar Kent, vice commander; Thomas Lydon, commander of William F. Sinclair Post and Charles McCarthy, past county commander, who called at the governor's office today to discuss emergency legislation with Mr. Bradford, one of the executive secretaries. This committee, which has been

quite successful in finding jobs for the unemployed veterans, told the mayor that with the near completion of the Governor square project they feel that their efforts have been much in vain.

Mayor Curley lacked but one vote for his two \$10,000,000 projects at today's meeting. He could have cast 21 votes himself, and had the support of Medford with one vote, Milton with one and Somerville with two. Twenty-six votes were necessary for affirmative action.

Campbell-Curley Suit to Be Aired Week of May 23

During the week of May 23, a jury will hear the dispute between Francis A. Campbell, clerk of the Suffolk Superior Civil Court, and Mayor James M. Curley, with reference to the right of the latter to order a day's pay deducted from the salary of Campbell to go toward relief of the unemployed. Judge Franklin T. Hammond of the Superior Court having made that arrangement after Campbell filed a motion for a speedy trial and an affidavit of no defense to his suit. The suit is in the nature of a test case and will affect all city and county employees who have had pay deducted, arbitrarily, Campbell says, since he and the men and women in his office made their own contribution toward the unemployment situation.

Curley Congratulates Roosevelt on Latest Vote

Mayor Curley today sent the following telegram to Governor Franklin D. Roosevelt at Warm Springs, Ga., congratulating him on his latest acquisition of delegates favorable to his presidential nomination: "Kindly accept my sincere and earnest congratulations in your remarkable victory in West Virginia, Arizona and Wyoming. The national issues were splendidly presented and your triumph is especially gratifying."

MAYOR AFTER GRAFT GAME

Warns Against Paying for Jobs or Advancement

Under penalty of removal from the city fire service, Mayor Curley yesterday warned two new district chiefs to pocket their salary increases of \$1300 each, and under no consideration pass it along to grafters who might claim responsibility for their promotion.

The new district chiefs were Captain Daniel J. Hurley of 91 Summer street, Dorchester, and Edward N. Montgomery of Annavoy street, East Boston.

"I have warned every city employee whom I have appointed to beware of grafters seeking part of their pay," said the Mayor last night, contending that there was no special significance in his warning of yesterday in the particular cases of the two district chiefs.

"I have been breaking down this custom, which has been in vogue for years. I am doing it not only for the worthy employees, but also for my own protection," the Mayor stated.

MAYOR WIRES ROOSEVELT ON LATEST VICTORIES

A telegram of congratulation to Gov. Franklin D. Roosevelt was sent yesterday by Mayor James M. Curley as a result of Roosevelt's victories in Arizona, West Virginia and Wyoming. "The national issues," said Mayor Curley in his telegram, "were splendidly presented and your triumph is specially gratifying."

The Mayor will be in Chicago during the convention, "because my candidate, Gov. Roosevelt, will be elected, and I have many good friends there," he said today.

Mayor Curley Hands Out Promotions

Mayor Curley, center, congratulating Capt. E. M. Montgomery, Fireboat Eng. 31, and Capt. J. D. Hurley, left, Rescue Squad No. 1, on their promotion to district chiefs.

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FOLEY WILL RUN FOR MAYORALTY

Says He Will Try to Be
First South Boston Resi-
dent to Win Honor

MUST SETTLE FEUD WITH McCORMACK

Dist.-Atty. William J. Foley yesterday made positive declaration that he will seek, at next year's election, to become the first resident of South Boston to be elected mayor. The formal announcement of his candidacy will not be made until after the state primaries in September.

Although it was believed at first that Foley's unofficial statement yesterday indicated that the differences between him and Congressman John W. McCormack, also of South Boston, had been amicably settled during the recent primary campaign, such was revealed not to be the case last night.

Friends of McCormack bluntly declared that the breach between the two men is so wide that only a public apology by Foley will be acceptable to the South Boston congressman.

CAUSE OF CLASH

McCormack blamed Foley for involving him unnecessarily in the grand jury investigation of the case of Mrs. Florence Sennott Gilman, accused of shoplifting early in 1931. McCormack subsequently was exonerated of any connection with the case, and he alleged that Foley had attempted to ruin him politically.

While it is not believed that McCormack will enter the mayoralty race against Foley, his friends said last night that his strength in South Boston would be aligned against the district attorney unless he made acceptable apology.

The Foley campaign has been going on quietly for several weeks. His supporters claim support of the two South Boston wards, and also count on Foley's friendship with Martin M. Lomasney to bring added support from ward 3.

Intimation that Foley had become a mayoralty candidate was made during the primary campaign when it was obvious that there was an organized movement for the purpose of obtaining for the district attorney the highest vote given any candidate for delegate-at-large in Boston.

The anticipated numerical strength of the Foley supporters failed to materialize. It is not held, however, to have been a setback to the hopes of his active workers.

The effect of Foley's candidacy on prospective aspirants is problematical. Councilman Clement A. Norton of Hyde Park, a Democrat, is banking on approval of his candidacy by the Good Government Association and Frederick W. Mansfield, defeated by Mayor Curley in 1929, and at least a potential candidate at the present time, is also an applicant for the G. G. A. indorsement.

COAKLEY SEEKS DONAHUE'S SEAT

Candidate for National
Committee if Incumbent
Goes on Bench

ACTIVE FOR SMITH IN PRIMARY CAMPAIGN

Daniel H. Coakley of Brighton is a candidate for election as Democratic national committeeman for Massachusetts to succeed Frank J. Donahue. Mr. Donahue will resign this position and also the chairmanship of the Democratic state committee if and when the executive council confirms his appointment by Gov. Ely to the superior court bench.

The national committeeman will be elected by the Massachusetts delegation to the Democratic national convention in Chicago next month. Members of the delegation, which includes Mr. Coakley, have received letters from him soliciting their support for national committeeman.

Other delegates have been interviewed personally by Mr. Coakley and he has gathered a substantial batch of pledges inside a week, according to his friends.

While the Coakley candidacy comes as a general surprise, it is regarded by his friends as a logical development of his increasing prominence as an influential leader in the Massachusetts Democracy. In 1930 he was one of the principal directors of Gov. Ely's primary and election campaigns and ever since he has been considered an adviser to the Governor. He was one of the leading strategists for the successful campaign to elect a complete slate of pledged Alfred E. Smith delegates to the Democratic convention and was himself elected a delegate from the new 9th congressional district. He has been a delegate to numerous Democratic conventions.

There has been no open candidacy so far for the position of national committeeman. John F. Fitzgerald has been suggested but he showed no interest when it was vacated by the death of former Mayor Edward W. Quinn of Cambridge. Mr. Donahue was then elected by the Democratic state committee.

With two Democratic senators from Massachusetts at Washington the position would carry little power in case a Democratic President should be elected, as the senators would be the dispensers of federal patronage in the state. The national committeeman would be little more than a contact man between the senators and the job seekers.

The long feud between Mayor Curley and Mr. Coakley would make the latter's election as national committeeman an extremely unpopular move at City

Hall and one which may call forth some protest, or at least ironical comment there. The mayor, however, is not in a position to prevent the election as Mr. Coakley's standing with the delegation he helped elect over the Roosevelt slate headed by the mayor gives the Brighton man a decided advantage over any rivals.

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TALKIES FOR LONG ISLAND

Perkins' Estate Fund In- come to Buy Machine

Talkies will be provided for the aged and the chronic sick at the new recreation building of the Long Island Hospital each week under a plan organized yesterday by Mayor Curley.

The proposal was suggested to the Mayor by W. W. Vaughan, representing the Perkins estate, which held a trust fund for the benefit of the women inmates at the island institution. He explained that the income from the fund had reached \$2500 and that it would be possible to purchase a talking motion picture machine for the hospital.

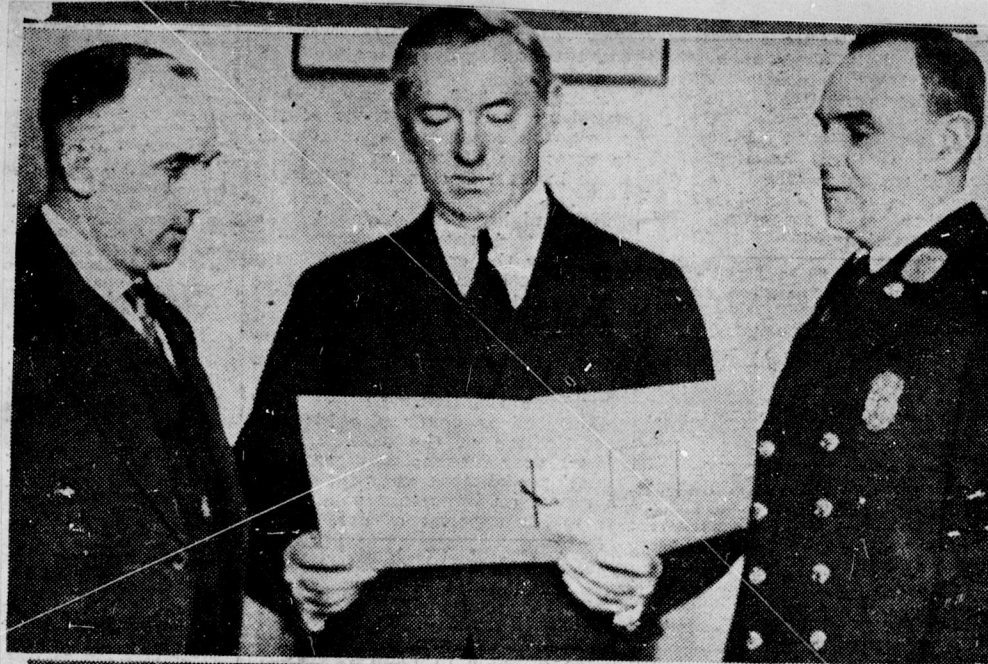
The Mayor approved the recommendation and directed City Censor John M. Casey to arrange for the furnishing of weekly sound films for the patients.

SEES NEED OF TWO MAYORS

One Social and One Business, Curley Says

If large cities could have two Mayors—one to attend social functions and another to tend strictly to the business—the job of being Mayor would be greatly facilitated Mayor Curley told 750 members of the junior and senior classes at Jamaica Plain High School yesterday.

The Mayor gave an interesting talk on the functions of his office and cited various examples of how his presence is demanded at social engagements. He would prefer to be the business Mayor, he declared, and be allowed to give all his time to the affairs of his office.



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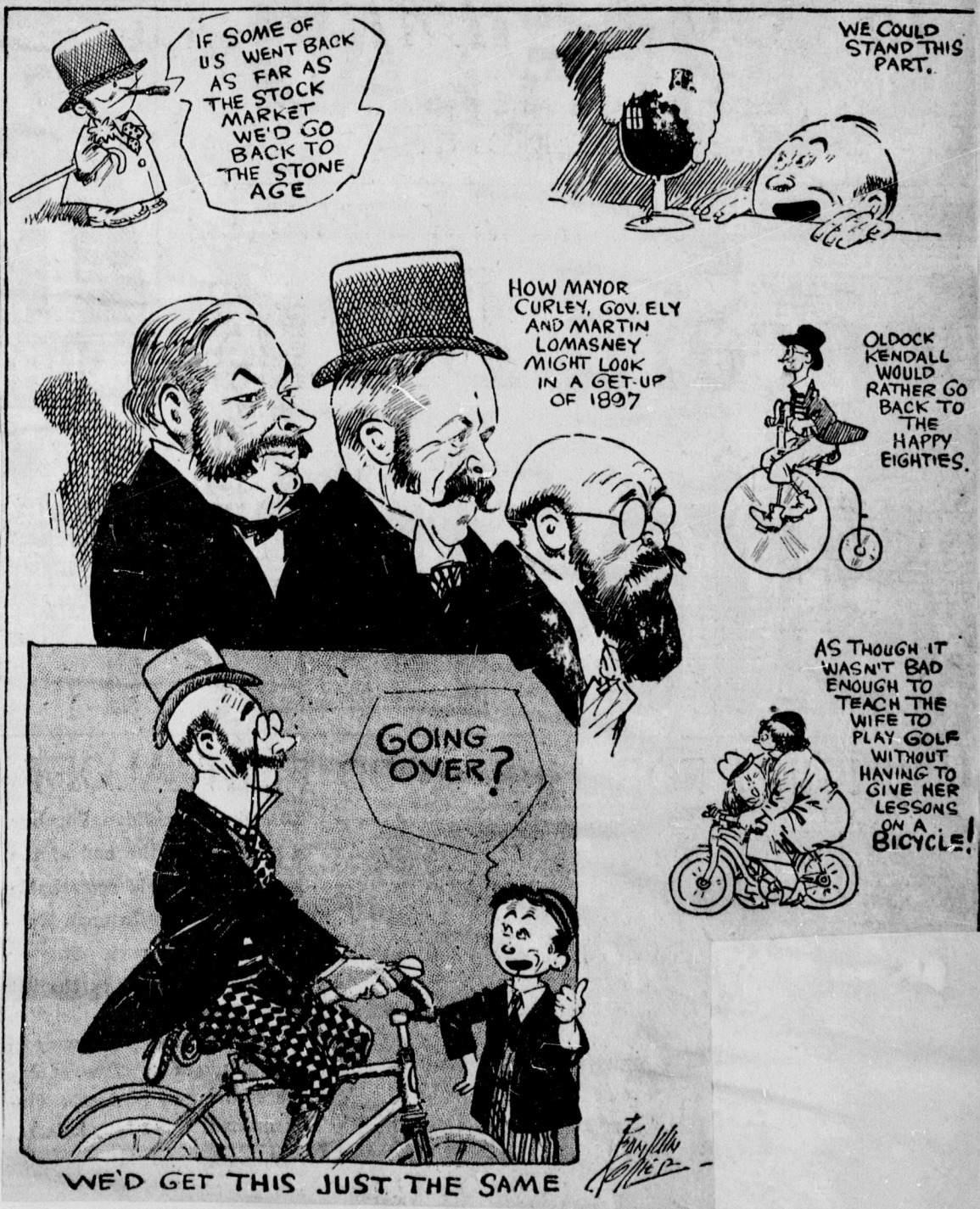
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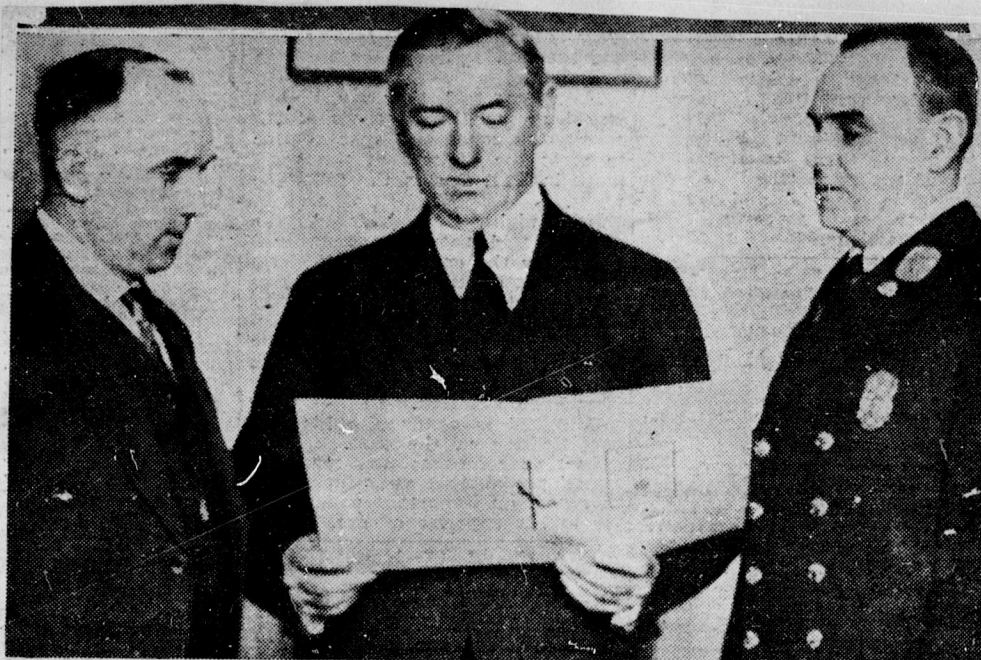
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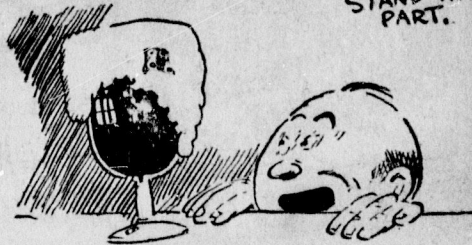
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WE COULD STAND THIS PART.



WE'D GET THIS JUST THE SAME

Franklin Collier

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REMEDIES FOR MIXUP AT CIRCLE

Use of the North Approach for Road and Use of Tunnel

Failure of the traffic circle at Charles and Cambridge streets to function as effectively as was anticipated is due in no wise to the construction of the circle, but to the administration of it, according to William Stanley Parker, who was consulting architect for the entire project.

FAULTS EASILY OVERCOME

Mr. Parker, who incidentally considers the idea of an office building in the centre of the circle, such as has been proposed for the housing of the Elevated and Boston Transit Commission offices, a ridiculous suggestion, said yesterday that a few simple traffic regulations would overcome any faults existing at present.

There are two major causes for the piling up of traffic, he pointed out, the principal one being the fact that a majority of motorists bound for Embankment road do not use the approach laid out for that route but pass under the El structure and cross in front of traffic coming off the Longfellow bridge into Boston.

Do Not Use Tunnel

The second reason, to his way of looking at the problem, is the practice of pedestrians of crossing the street instead of using the tunnel constructed for their use. So great has become the practice that traffic officers are stationed in the middle of the roadway to hold back traffic which should be moving continuously, so that pedestrians may cross.

Abandonment of the traffic posts and insistence that pedestrians use the tunnel after leaving or on entering the Elevated station would stop the congestion now made by the stoppage of motor traffic for the convenience of pedestrians who choose to cross the roadways instead of using the tunnel.

Force North Side Use

Mr. Parker has been conferring with Traffic Commissioner Joseph A. Conry in an attempt to work out a solution of the cross traffic entering Embankment road, and early results are expected. The architect proposes that traffic coming off the bridge be allowed to turn into Embankment road in one lane, but other traffic be forced to use the approach on the north side of the bridge. At the present time, that approach carries a sign pointing the way to Embankment road, but nine out of 10 motorists nevertheless do not use it. They

cross the bridge traffic and go into Embankment road directly.

Criticisms that the road coming off the bridge is too narrow, and that the Elevated structure abutments should be moved in for widening of the roadway, he dismissed as impractical, pointing out that a two-lane road off the bridge is more adapted to traffic conditions than would be a wider road. In the first place, he stated, three lines of traffic off the bridge road would not be able to get into the circle intact because of the flow of traffic coming along from the northerly section and bound for Charles street and Cambridge street.

One of the lines would have to give way, and the consequent entanglement would cause confusion. In addition, the bridge road is on a down grade, and is slippery in wet weather, making for dangerous conditions with three lines. Several hundred feet above the circle the bridge road is three lanes wide, and the narrowing into two lanes provides a necessary slowing down, Parker held.

As things stand now, these two lines which should be moving easily into the circle, are often held up by the crossing in front of them of vehicles bound for Embankment road. The stationing of a traffic officer at the entrance to Embankment road to prevent the cross traffic from entering in that way would soon force the motorists to use the designated approach to Embankment road, the architect believes.

Busses on Inner Curb

Mr. Parker also is of the opinion that the busses of the Elevated on the Massachusetts avenue-Charles street line should stop on the inner curb of the circle instead of the outer, as they now do. This would save many pedestrians from crossing the roadway and the interruption of motor traffic would be considerably relieved.

The underground passage for pedestrians and those entering and leaving the Elevated station is not yet completed, he pointed out, but it is comfortable for use now, and if pedestrians would use it, the motor traffic flow would be effective and continuous, he believes.

BEER PROTEST ON COMMON

Mass Meeting at Bandstand Saturday Evening

Instead of reproducing New York's beer parade here, Boston's thirsty opponents of prohibition will hold a mass meeting at the Parkman bandstand on the Common, where a full programme of music and entertainment will be provided Saturday afternoon.

A permit to use the bandstand from 1 until 5 o'clock in the afternoon was granted yesterday by Mayor Curley and City Censor John M. Casey to the American Association for the Repeal of the 18th Amendment, "for an educational meeting."

POLICE PAY DISPUTE BEFORE FULL BENCH

Right of Curley to Hold Back Raises Argued

The controversy between Mayor Curley and Police Commissioner Eugene C. Hultman, which began a few months ago when Mayor Curley refused to allow increases to members of the Boston Police Department under the "step-up" system which has been in effect for several years, reached the full bench of the Supreme Court yesterday, when final arguments were made on petitions for writs of mandamus and certiorari to compel the Mayor to grant the increases.

Commissioner Hultman sought a writ of mandamus to compel the Mayor to grant the increases, as did patrolman Thomas E. Barron, one of the patrolmen denied the raise. Commissioner Hultman also asked the Supreme Court to issue a writ of certiorari to quash the Mayor's action in denying the increases.

Corporation Counsel Samuel Silverman and Assistant Corporation Counsel H. M. Pakulski argued yesterday that Hultman has no standing to bring his petition for mandamus, as he is not a party at interest and has no standing. Barron, they contended, is not entitled to relief, as he has an adequate remedy in the nature of a suit at law for the money he claims the city owes him.

The case was taken under advisement.

VET GROUPS URGE TUNNEL EXTENSION

Organizations of war veterans are urging the Metropolitan Council to adopt a program of tunnel extensions, costing \$20,000,000, which are intended to give work to war veterans for the next two years. The Council met yesterday and considered the matter, but put it over for one week, when another meeting will be held.

The plans call for improved transit facilities for the district. There were 28 votes at the meeting yesterday morning. Sponsors of the tunnel plan had 25 votes, but 26 are necessary for approval. One project is the construction of a tunnel from Park st to Brookline Village, costing about \$10,000,000, and the other an extension from Lechmere sq to Davis sq, Somerville, costing approximately the same amount.

Mayor Curley said that soldiers' relief had increased 300 percent over a year ago as a result of unemployment, and that adoption of the plan for subway extensions would permit employment within 60 days of 6000 ex-service men for more than 2½ years. Without employment for that number of men for the period, Mayor Curley said that it would mean an expenditure of \$4,000,000, with no improvement to show for it.

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CURLEY TO URGE SUBWAY WORK

Extensions Advocated as
Means of Employing
6000 Veterans

FAILS BY ONE VOTE IN TRANSIT COUNCIL

To accomplish the dual purpose of providing employment for a period of more than two years to more than 6000 ex-service men and of substantially extending the benefits of rapid transit facilities, Mayor Curley will urge the metropolitan transit council Wednesday to approve two transit extensions at an estimated cost of \$20,000,000.

He failed by one vote yesterday to obtain the required two-thirds of the votes of the transit council in favor of extending the Boylston street subway from Arlington street to Brookline village, under Huntington avenue and the Lechmere square, Cambridge, via duct to Davis square, Somerville.

BOTH RECOMMENDED

Both are transit extensions recommended by the trustees of the metropolitan transit district for the last two years but abandoned temporarily because of the belief that the projects could await improved business conditions.

The votes of Newton and Everett were denied Mayor Curley yesterday at a transit council meeting also attended by representatives of Medford, Milton and Somerville.

The mayor of Boston casts 21 of the 39 votes in the council and to make decisions effective 26 votes are necessary. Medford, Milton and Somerville joined with Boston in approving the proposal to ask legislative authorization for the \$20,000,000 extensions but Newton and Everett held the attitude that it would be better to continue to pay cash relief to veterans than to shoulder the burden of such costly transit projects.

In the belief that he can obtain the single vote necessary to approve the plan, Mayor Curley has called a council meeting at 10:30 A. M., Wednesday.

The Suffolk county council, American Legion, has enlisted the aid of the state department in support of the plan and representatives of the organizations will await favorable action by the transit council before renewing the attempt to impress on Gov. Ely the desirability of asking the Legislature to receive and enact the necessary bill.

Expenditures for soldiers' relief have increased 300 per cent. in a year in Boston and have similarly jumped in other cities in the territory served by

the Elevated. The layoff of former service men employed on the Kenmore square subway extension is expected to be reflected by hundreds of applications for relief from the Boston department.

It is the opinion of Mayor Curley that the proposed transit extensions would absorb 6000 ex-service men in the Elevated district and that Boston as well as the other municipalities will find it wise to spend money for the employment on beneficial transit projects of men who will otherwise receive cash aid from public treasuries without giving any return.

NEW ACTION DENIED ON TUNNEL BILL

House Refuses to Reconsider
\$3,000,000 Measure

The House yesterday refused to reconsider the action by which it previously had voted to enact the bill to appropriate \$3,000,000 for street widenings in connection with the East Boston vehicular traffic tunnel. Reconsideration was denied by a rollcall vote of 124 to 83.

The bill now requires only enactment by the Senate to be ready for Gov. Ely's consideration. He has been asked by members of the Boston city council to refuse approval unless it is amended to provide for acceptance by the council.

Under the terms of the bill the cost of the proposed widenings of Cross and Merrimack streets would be paid for out of the tunnel tolls, the same source from which the \$16,000,000 already appropriated for construction must come.

Delay is anticipated in the Senate because of the order passed by that body asking for an opinion on its legality of the attorney-general.

Reconsideration was sought by Representatives William H. Hearn of East Boston, Christian A. Herter and Elliot Wadsworth of Boston. They were opposed to the bill as not being essential at this time for the completion of the tunnel.

Representative John P. Higgins of the West end insisted that it would result in a great saving to the city and that the street widenings will be essential to the handling of traffic early next year.

COMMISSION ADOPTS NEW TRAFFIC RULES

Signal Lights Planned for
Various Intersections

At a meeting of the Boston Traffic Commission held today it was voted to install signal lights at various intersections in several districts of the city.

Chairman Joseph A. Conry, Joseph A. Rourke, Public Works Commissioner, and Theodore A. Glynn, Street Commissioner, were present.

It was voted to adopt alternate parking in Bennington st, East Boston, from Central sq to Marion st, at the request of merchants in that section.

Seaver st was made one way from Sumner st to Webster, as was Lamson st from Webster st to Sumner st, in East Boston.

At the request of the American Sugar Refining Company, parking was ordered prohibited in the west side of Granite st, between Mt Washington av and 1st st, South Boston. Difficulty was experienced in moving freight cars in the street, because of parked cars, according to the commission.

It also was voted to start work immediately on the installation of signals in Commonwealth av, between Arlington st and Governor sq.

Lights also will be installed at Meridian and Saratoga sts, East Boston; Chapman st and Rutherford av, Charlestown; Broadway and Dorchester av and Dorchester st and Old Colony av, South Boston; Columbus av at Ruggles and Whittier sts, Ruggles st and Shawmut av, Columbus av and Ritchie st, Roxbury; Morton st and Norfolk st, Dorchester; Center st and Green st, Jamaica Way, and Moraine st, Jamaica Way, and Pond st, Jamaica Plain; Brighton av and Harvard av, Brighton; Chelsea st and Medford st, Charlestown, and Bowdoin st and Hamilton st, Dorchester.

TO CHECK UP POLICE VOTERS

Legal Residences Asked
for by Mayor

To determine whether there are any "mattress" voters in the ranks of the Boston police department or its employees, Mayor Curley yesterday made a request to be supplied with a checklist of the police listing and registrations of police and police employees of Boston.

The checkup is made annually. It was stated, to find out if policemen, who are required to live in Boston, are bona fide residents and voters in the city, or whether they merely maintain a rooming house address in the city and live and vote elsewhere, or, if by any chance, police employees or police officers, have cast so-called "mattress" votes.

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USED CLOTHES FOR NEEDY



MAYOR CURLEY

ALBERT A. SCOTT

Mayor Curley yesterday presented a bundle of used clothing to Albert A. Scott, regional director of the Near East Relief, in accordance with his annual custom. Officials of the organization are to conduct their annual drive for clothes for distribution in the Near East on May 16. Bundles will be accepted at all police and fire stations. (Staff Photo.)

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NEW TRAFFIC LIGHTS ORDERED

Will Be on Commonwealth Avenue and at 14 Other Points

Work of installing traffic lights on Commonwealth avenue from Arlington street to Governor square and at 14 other street intersections in various parts of the city will begin immediately, it was announced today, following a meeting of the traffic commission.

Joseph A. Conry, chairman; Joseph A. Rourke and Theodore A. Glynn were present at the meeting.

The commission voted to permit alternate parking on Bennington street, East Boston, from Central street to Marion street; to make Seaver street,

East Boston, one way from Sumner street to Webster street, and Lamson street, East Boston, one way from Webster street to Sumner street. Parking will be prohibited on the west side of Granite street, South Boston, from Mt. Washington avenue to First street.

Traffic signals will be installed at the following intersections:

Meridian and Saratoga streets, East Boston; Chapman street and Rutherford avenue, Charlestown; Broadway and Dorchester avenue, South Boston; Dorchester street and Old Colony avenue, South Boston; Columbus avenue at Ruggles and Whittier streets, Roxbury; Ruggles street and Shawmut avenue, Roxbury; Columbus avenue and Ritchie street, Morton and Norfolk streets, Mattapan; Centre and Green streets, Jamaica Plain; Jamaica way and Pond street, Jamaica Plain; Brighton and Harvard avenues, Brighton; Chelsea and Medford streets, Charlestown, and Bowdoin and Hamilton streets, Dorchester.

Traffic Lights for Commonwealth Ave.

Installation Between Arlington St. and Governor Sq. Voted by Traffic Board

At the meeting of the Boston Traffic Commission at police headquarters today, with Chairman Joseph A. Conry, Joseph A. Rourke and Theodore A. Glynn present, it was voted to install traffic signal lights on Commonwealth avenue from Arlington street to Governor square; in Meridian and Saratoga streets, East Boston; near Chapman street and Rutherford avenue, Charlestown; Broadway and Dorchester avenue; Dorchester street and Old Colony avenue; Columbus avenue, Ruggles and Whittier streets; Columbus avenue and Ritchie street; Morton and Norfolk streets; Centre and Green streets; Jamaica way and Moraine street; Jamaica way and Pond street; Brighton and Harvard avenues; Chelsea and Medford streets, Charlestown, and Bowdoin and Hamilton streets.

The commission voted also to allow alternate parking on Bennington street, from Central square to Marion street, in East Boston on request from the merchants in that vicinity. Seaver street, East Boston, was made a one-way street from Sumner street to Webster street, while Lamson street was made one way from Webster to Sumner street.

Following a request made by the American Sugar Refining Company, South Boston, parking will be prohibited on the west side of Granite street, between Mt. Washington avenue and First street. The company made the request because of difficulty experienced in moving freight cars into the plant.

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ARGUMENTS STARTED IN POLICE PAY FIGHT

Arguments began before the full bench of the supreme court yesterday on proceedings brought by Police Commissioner Hultman and by Patrolman Thomas E. Barron against Mayor Curley and other city officials and the city to compel payment this year of the annual increases in policemen's salaries under the "step-up" system inaugurated about 10 years ago.

Samuel Silverman, corporation counsel, and H. M. Pakulski, assistant corporation counsel, argued that neither Hultman nor Barron was entitled to relief by mandamus writ, the former having no standing to bring his action and Barron having relief by way of suit at law.

Leo Schwartz, as counsel for the petitioners, argued that the statute requires police officers' pay shall not be cut down without concurrent action of the mayor and the police commissioner and that policemen have no contracts with the city to sue on.

The full bench will hand down a decision later.

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LACKS ONE VOTE FOR \$20,000,000 PROJECT

Curley Fails to Get Tunnel Extension Plan Passed

Lacking one vote of 26, or two-thirds of the members necessary to approve any project, Mayor Curley's plan to have the Metropolitan Transit Council approve two rapid transit extensions, involving a cost of \$20,000,000, failed of approval at a meeting of the Council yesterday. The two votes of Newton and one of Everett were registered against the plan. Mayor Curley cast the 21 votes of Boston in favor of the projects.

The two extensions, one from Arlington st to Brookline Village, and the other from Lechmere sq. East Cambridge, to Davis sq. Somerville, would furnish work for 6000 ex-service men for 2½ years, Mayor Curley contended.

Mayors and chairman of Board of Selectmen of the 14 cities and towns of Greater Boston served by the Boston elevated are members of the Council. Representatives of Boston, Everett, Medford, Milton, Newton and Somerville were present at yesterday's meeting, which was called by Mayor Curley.

Mayor Curley argued that municipalities are already carrying heavy burdens brought about by soldiers' relief payments and are getting nothing in return. The rapid transit extensions would employ the ex-service men and relieve the necessary payments.

The Newton and Everett members expressed the opinion that they would rather pay soldiers' relief than burden their cities with the expense involved in the rapid transit projects.

Mayor Curley, encouraged by the fact that approval of the plan lacked only one vote, announced that a second meeting will be held at 10:30 next Wednesday morning. It was made clear, however, that final disposition of the plan, if approved, will rest with the Legislature.

All big cities should have two Mayors, in the opinion of Mayor Curley; one for social functions and the other for business. Can't a man mix business and pleasure?

MAYOR SAYS HE HAS FRIENDS IN CHICAGO

Curley Not Afraid of Being Lonesome at Democratic Convention

Mayor Curley is not afraid of being lonesome at the Democratic national convention in Chicago. Though he will receive no recognition as a spokesman for Massachusetts Democrats, he will not hide away in the galleries reserved for spectators.

"I know a great many persons in Chicago," he said yesterday. "I know of no reason why I will not go, and I am confident that my friends in Chicago will make certain that I will not suffer from lonesomeness."

Incidentally, James A. "Jerry" Watson, former member of the city council, announced that a "Roosevelt for President" train bearing Massachusetts Democrats supporting his candidacy has already been arranged. "Oh, we'll make a lot of noise," said Watson.

SYMPATHY IS VOICED BY ELY AND CURLEY

Bishop Sherrill Joins in Statements Here

State, city and church officials here voiced their grief at the news of the Lindbergh baby's death last night. LYNCH, D. J.

Gov Joseph B. Ely said: "I am unable to find words with which to express my sorrow at the horrible news you bring me. This is a national calamity that must arouse the Nation to its depths. Massachusetts will contribute her full share towards the solution of this despicable deed. I am sending the deepest sympathy of Mrs Ely and myself to Col and Mrs Lindbergh."

Mayor James M. Curley said: "The entire world shares the sorrow that has come to Col and Mrs Charles A. Lindbergh. In common with every American, I sympathize with them."

Bishop Henry K. Sherrill of the Episcopal diocese of Massachusetts said: "I am deeply shocked by the horror of this crime and my utmost sympathy goes out to the Lindbergh family. I hope the criminals responsible for this deed will be speedily apprehended."

MAY LIMIT JOBS TO RESIDENTS

Hundreds on City Payroll

Nearer "Moving Day"

Mayor Curley Starts Move—

Circulars Are Sent Out

"Moving Day" looms more closely for several hundred men and women fortunate enough to hold a place on Boston's city payrolls, but continue to live in suburban cities and towns outside municipal bounds. That is, each will probably have to "pack his or her duds" and move into Boston forthwith, or else move off the city payroll, which now numbers some 19,200 persons.

Mayor James M. Curley started the movement to effect this end. City workers who are not residents in the city have shivered during the past few days at sight of circulars going the rounds in each department, to which each had to attest his or her voting residence as of April 1, 1931, which was the legal voting residence of all who went to the polls in the April 26 primary.

Mayor Curley declared that he had authorized the canvass, when asked about the circulars late last night. He reiterated his announcement of a week ago, that he has at this time no "City Hall housecleaning" in mind, because of any disappointment he may feel at the result of the primary.

The Mayor's authorization of this canvass, it is understood, reflects the intense, direct pressure upon him of worthy persons, or friends of persons, in the Boston population who, as direct or indirect taxpayers in the city, feel themselves competent to fill city positions now held by persons who are not residents of Boston, or else county jobs now held by persons who live outside the Suffolk bounds.

While the severe economic squeeze thus reflects itself in politics, Mr Curley would not say, in specific terms, what his purpose is in authorizing this checkup on city employees. But canvass accords with agitations by the City Council from time to time through the past decade to give city jobs only to residents of Boston.

It has been openly known that the legal residences of some men holding \$10,000 or \$7500 city positions were outside city limits. Throughout the various city departments the workers knew pretty well who of their number were living in or outside the city.

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CURLEY'S BILL DEAD IN HOUSE

Vote 97 to 48 Against
Abolishing Welfare
Board

On a standing vote, 48 to 97, the House yesterday killed the bill of Mayor Curley to abolish the present board of overseers of public welfare in Boston and establish a new department, with a commissioner of public welfare at its head at a salary of \$7500 a year. The present welfare board consists of 12 unpaid members.

CURLEY PLAN ATTACKED

The defeat of the bill came after a lengthy debate, in which the opposition, led by Representative Peter J. Fitzgerald of Dorchester, charged that it was a scheme by Mayor Curley to get complete control of the department and all funds under its management, at the same time providing a good city job for some friend. Fitzgerald was a dissenter from the report of the committee on cities on the bill.

The measure was defended by Representative Louis N. M. DesChenes of Fitchburg, chairman of the cities committee, who denied that creation of the new department would be any reflection, as suggested by Fitzgerald, upon the honesty or character of the present Welfare Board.

Says Funds Wrongly Used

"He said, however, that there had been considerable criticism of the way in which welfare funds have been disbursed under the present system. DesChenes said that investigation of 200 cases had shown that persons who had been paid from \$18 to \$27.50 a week had not previously been able to earn more than \$17 a week. He said that if those who contributed to the \$3,000,000 collected for the unemployed in Boston knew how it was being spent they would refuse to contribute further.

"I can show you," said the Fitchburg member, "any quantity of cases showing an intolerable situation within the department under the present system, with insurance premiums, even, being paid out of relief money."

Representative Francis D. Dailey of Boston defended Mayor Curley against the charge of Fitzgerald that an attempt is being made under this bill to provide a good job for some friend.

Representative John T. Reardon of South Boston said that the bill is an indictment against the man who filed it, plainly meaning the Mayor. DesChenes was on his feet instantly, and when Reardon yielded the floor to him, the Fitchburg man told the House that

Reardon was the man who filed the measure for the Mayor, "and," he added, "he did not endorse the petition as one filed 'by request!'"

Fountain Pen Gave Out

When the roar of laughter at Reardon subsided, the South Boston man replied: "When I attached my signature to that petition, there was not enough ink in the fountain pen to say I signed it 'by request.'" Reardon later said that the bill before the House had been changed by the committee on cities and was far different from the measure he filed.

Representative Albert W. Bullock of Waltham, also a dissenter from the report of the cities' committee, said that there is nothing wrong with the present board administering welfare relief in Boston. Representatives Mahoney of Dorchester, Hearn of East Boston, Birmingham of Brighton and other Boston Democrats opposed the bill.

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TRAFFIC LIGHTS FOR 14 JUNCTIONS

Intersection at Mayor's Home
Included in Order

Traffic lights were ordered installed at the junction of Moraine street and Jamaica way, Jamaica Plain, outside of the home of Mayor Curley, and at 13 other intersections in the city yesterday at the regular weekly meeting of the Boston traffic commission.

The other new traffic lights will be located at Meridian and Saratoga streets, East Boston; Chapman street and Rutherford avenue, Charlestown; Broadway and Dorchester avenue, South Boston; Dorchester street and Old Colony avenue, South Boston; Columbus avenue at Ruggles and Whittier streets, Roxbury; Ruggles street and Shawmut avenue; Columbus avenue and Ritchie street, Roxbury; Morton and Norfolk streets, Mattapan; Centre and Green streets, Jamaica Plain; Jamaica way and Pond street, Jamaica Plain; Brighton and Harvard avenues, Brighton; Chelsea and Medford streets, Charlestown; and Bowdoin and Hamilton streets, Dorchester.

In addition to other routine business the commission adopted the alternate parking rule in Bennington street, from Central square to Marion street, in East Boston. They also voted to prohibit parking on the west side of Granite street, between First street and Mt. Washington avenue, South Boston. Both rules were made at the request of business concerns in the two sections.

The commission also voted to start work immediately on the installation of the traffic light system on Commonwealth avenue between Arlington and Charlesgate West.

Beaver street was made one-way from Sumner street to Webster street and Lawson street was made one-way from Webster street to Sumner street. Both of the streets are in the East Boston district.

RUMOR CITY WORKERS TO LOSE JOBS

Query to Determine
All Non-Resident
Employees

Questionnaires submitted to Boston's city employees to determine whether, and where they voted, both this year and last year, provoked rumors throughout the city service yesterday that thousands of non-resident workers would be cut from the payroll, if it becomes necessary to reserve the municipal funds to meet the increasing demands for poor and unemployment relief.

POLICE INCLUDED

Not only were the policemen asked to tell where they voted in 1931 and 1932, but the employees in practically all the other city departments were called upon yesterday to tell where they were police listed and where they voted in the past two years.

Veterans recalled that in 1908 and 1909, the late Mayor George A. Hibbard dropped about 800 city employees on the grounds that the city finances at that time did not warrant their further employment, and they contended yesterday that there was nothing in the civil service laws to prevent Mayor Curley from abolishing the positions of thousands of city employees.

Police Living Elsewhere

The Mayor last night stated that the questionnaires sent around to the city departments was "the usual procedure that has been taken from time to time. We want to get the facts for our files for future reference purposes. In the police department alone, I am informed that 25 per cent of the men eat, sleep and live outside the city."

Under the law only the police and firemen are required to live in the city. To leave the city for a night's trip, they are obliged to obtain special permission.

Save for Welfare

An opinion of the city law department a few days ago stated that other city employees must live in the city for six months previous to their appointment, but there is no law to stop them from moving out the day after they get their jobs.

Yet, with only \$7,000,000 in the budget for public welfare relief, and the city paying out over \$1,000,000 a month to the poor and unemployed, it was contended the Mayor could drop the non-resident employees from the city payroll and use their salaries to make up the remaining \$5,000,000 which may be needed for the public welfare fund if the present demand continues for the rest of the year.

Curley Seeks Photos of 77 Boston War Dead

Needed to Complete Gallery of 1145 Portraits of
Heroes; Appeals to Public to Aid;
Charlestown Family Sought

Seventy-seven photographs of Boston residents who were killed in action or died of wounds sustained while fighting with the allied forces in the world war are needed to complete the gallery of 1145 irreplaceable portraits of Boston's war dead.

Search of many months of the official American, Canadian and British war records and the co-operation of the veterans' bureau and various organizations of veterans, as well as the reference departments of Boston newspapers, has been productive of photographs not otherwise obtainable.

The narrowing of the list of missing photographs to 77 has inspired in Mayor Curley the conviction that a public appeal will make possible the completion of the gallery to be eventually located in a war memorial building, but for the present to be divided so that the halls of school buildings will be covered with the portraits of war dead who resided in the districts where the schools are located.

Despite the most thorough search, no trace of the Randell family of Charlestown, of whom four boys made the supreme sacrifice, has been discovered. One son was killed while serving with the Australian forces, two with the Canadian units and another with a British unit. Mayor Curley believes that somebody in Charlestown knows how relatives of the four brothers can be reached.

He is equally as anxious to either locate relatives or photographs of the other 73 soldiers and sailors.

In the accompanying list the notation C. E. F. refers to Canadian units and B. E. F. to British fighting corps. Either information about relatives or photographs can be forwarded to the office of Mayor Curley.

The list, given with name, address at enlistment and company, follows:

ABRAHAMS, Thomas, 19 Spring street, Boston, company A, 101st inf., 26th div.
AHEARN, Frank Joseph, Box 403, Sharon, company M, 73d inf., 120th div.
ALLAN, Walter H., Boston, C. E. F.
ALLEN, William H., 1903 Columbus avenue, Boston, company H, 103d inf., 26th div.
ANDERSON, Harry Louis, 83 W. Springfield street, Boston, cabin steward, U. S. N.
ANDREWS, Hendrick, 45 Porter street, Boston, 49th company, 151st D. B.
BECK, Henry A., company D, 12th inf., 1st div.
BONNEY, Joseph Westley, 32 Millet street, Dorchester, company H, 18th inf., 1st div.
BRANDT, A., Allston, C. E. F.
BUNDRAIT, Walker, 85 Camden street, Roxbury, company F, 807th Pioneer inf.
BURKE, John J., 8 New Heath street, Roxbury, 25th company, 7th train bn., 151st D. B.
BURNS, John Joseph, 124 Annal street, Quincy, company A, 101st inf., 26th div.
CAMPBELL, Colin D., 2 Gardner road, Brookline, company A, 104th inf., 26th div.
CARTER, William, 11 Bicknell street, Dorchester, C. E. F.
CONEELEY, Michael Joseph, B. E. F.
CONWAY, William E., 90 Factory Hill street, Braintree, company E, 314th encls., 80th div.
CURRY, Joseph Patrick, Roslindale, chief water tender, U. S. N.
CURZON, Frank, B. E. F.
DANIELS, Thomas, B. E. F.
DOBBS, Edmonds G., 139 Roxbury street, Roxbury, company E, 104th ammunition train, 29th div.
DUMONT, Arthur, B. E. F.
DURGIN, Walter Emerson, company H, 10th inf., 2d div.

ENGLEDOW, Alfred John, 24 Harwick street, Boston, ship's cook, 1st class, N. R. F.
FLANAGAN, Thomas H., South Boston, seaman, U. S. N.
FLETCHER, William, B. E. F.
FLYNN, Edward J., 93 Norfolk avenue, Roxbury, supply company, 68th C. A. C.
FRANK, Frederick W., 12 1/2 Walden street, Roxbury, C. E. F.
GORMLEY, John Redmond, M. G. company, central officers training school.
GRANSTROM, Carl A., 87 Webster street, East Boston, headquarters company, 117th supply train.
GRANT, John, 20th company, 5th reg., 2d div.
HARRIS, William, 19 Copeland street, Roxbury, C. E. F.
HARTMAN, Frederick S., 127 Harvard street, Brookline, 2d lieutenant air service, 354th aero sq.
HASTINGS, E., 27 Hancock street, Boston, C. E. F.
HEIN, Frederick V., 51 Monadnock street, Dorchester; field bakery company 12, Ft. Bliss.
HOLMES, Samuel W., 35 Borlston street, Boston; headquarters company 307th F. A., 78th division.
KELLEY, Frederick A., Crawford House, Boston; company A, M. P., 12th division.
KELLY, Frank Patrick, 717 Columbia road, Dorchester; 6th company C. A. C.
KENNEY, Edward Andrew, 29 Rawson street, Dorchester; 324th guard and fire company.
KNIGHT, William Albert, South Boston; C. E. F.
KOPP, George E., company C, 101st field signal battalion 26th division.
LEADEN, Robert James, 347 Border street, East Boston; seaman, 2d class, U. S. N.
LELAND, Joseph, 659 Harrison avenue, Boston; 28th company 7th training battalion, 151st D. B.
McDONALD, Michael Henry, 3 Brooks place, Boston; chief water tender, U. S. N.
McKAY, Ivan L., Dorchester; C. E. F.
McLAUGHLIN, Cornelius J., Boston; R. A. company 1, 26th infantry, 1st division.
McNAMARA, Edward William, 118 Union street, Boston; supply company, 23d infantry, 2d division.
MEEHAN, George Roger, 37 Dorr street, Roxbury; company K, 18th infantry, 1st division.
MORSE, Clyde Webber, 42 Hanson street, Boston; headquarters company, 5th regiment, 3d division.
MURPHY, Joseph Francis, unassigned.
NOONAN, Arthur Joseph, 17 Myrick street, Charlestown; company H, 101st infantry, 26th division.
O'CONNOR, Timothy, Roslindale; company F, 108th infantry.
O'LEARY, John, British army.
O'NEIL, John Paul, lieutenant (temp), U. S. N.
O'NEIL, Cornelius, West Roxbury; company L, 36th infantry, 12th division.
PAGE, John William, Roxbury, battery A, 5th field artillery, 1st division.
PALMER, Thomas, 18 Willard street, Roxbury; ship's cook, 1st class, N. R. F. "Solace."
PARTINGTON, Ernest, B. E. F.
PRAMAS, William, 13 Upton street, Boston; company E, 38th infantry, 3d division.
PRESCOTT, Charles Edward, 121 Charles street, Boston; seaman 2d class, U. S. N.
PRICE, Albert Daniel, East Boston; sergeant, marine corps.
RANDELL, Frederick, Charlestown; Australian.
RANDELL, Harold, Charlestown; C. E. F.
RANDELL, Leroy, Charlestown; C. E. F.
RANDELL, Thomas, Charlestown; B. E. F.
REED, Alexander, 55th company, 13th battalion, 151st D. B.
REED, Alexander, 55th company, 13th battalion, 151st D. B.
RICHARDS, John Irving, Dorchester; seaman, coast guard.
ROBERTS, William, 1034 Washington street, Boston; company A, 104th infantry, 26th division.
ROTH, William Leo, 3831 Washington street, Roslindale; interne, medical supply 2, A. P. O.
ROWLEY, Matthew James, Jamaica Plain; C. E. F.
SANTOS, Gil, Roxbury; company C, 30th infantry, 3d division.
SEIFFERT, Frederick F., Boston; B. E. F.
STEWART, Francis, 87 Clifton street, Dorchester; C. E. F.

SULLIVAN, Charles Henry, 27 Milford street, Boston; supply company, 7th field artillery, replacement draft, Camp Jackson.
VALENTINE, Charles Francis, Boston; troop 1, 6th cavalry.
WEBBER, William Wallace, Brighton; 18th battalion, replacement and training camp, Camp Lee.
WOODCLIFFE, George William, C. E. F.

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TRAFFIC LIGHTS FOR 14 INTERSECTIONS Commonwealth-Av Group to Be Installed Soon

The corner of the Jamaica way and Moraine st, Jamaica Plain, where Mayor Curley has his home, will be protected by automatic traffic lights under an order passed yesterday by the Boston Traffic Commission in which it was decided to place similar lights at 13 other intersections.

In agreement with an announcement made on Wednesday by Traffic Commissioner Joseph A. Conry, the board voted to start work immediately on the installation of traffic lights along Commonwealth av from Arlington st to Kenmore sq.

Parking changes were voted in East Boston and South Boston. Bennington st, from Central sq to Marion st, East Boston, will have alternate parking at the request of merchants. Parking will be prohibited on the west side of Granite st, South Boston. These rules will go into effect after a period of two weeks during which they will be advertised.

Following are the places where the new traffic lights, voted yesterday, will be installed: Meridian and Saratoga sts, East Boston; Chapman st and Rutherford av, Charlestown; Broadway and Dorchester av, South Boston; Dorchester st and Old Colony av, South Boston; Columbus av at Ruggles and Whittier sts, Roxbury; Columbus av and Richie st, Roxbury; Morton and Norfolk sts, Mattapan; Centre and Green sts, Jamaica Plain; Jamaica way and Moraine st; Jamaica way and Pond st; Brighton av and Harvard av, Brighton; Chelsea and Medford sts, Charlestown, and Bowdoin and Hamilton sts, Dorchester.

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HOUSE THROWS OUT CURLEY WELFARE BILL

Against \$7500 Commissioner Office—Several of Boston Democrats Criticize Mayor

Mayor Curley's bill to establish the office of Commissioner of Public Welfare in this city in place of the present Department of Overseers of Public Welfare was rejected yesterday by the Massachusetts House of Representatives. The debate was one of the liveliest in a long time and included criticism of the Mayor by several Boston Democratic members.

The opposition was started by Representative Peter J. Fitzgerald of Dorchester, who charged that "the Mayor seeks to create a new job of Public Welfare Commissioner at a salary of \$7500 a year." After praising the existing system, he asked: "Do you want a single man to have the say as to where \$8,000,000 of the people's money is to go?"

Policy Loose, Says Des Chenes

Representative DesChenes of Fitchburg, House chairman of the Committee on Cities, which reported the bill, said: "This bill is to provide for a head, for a Commissioner, to take charge of the public welfare department of the city. There is no suspicion of dishonesty of the present board. I want that clearly understood. The present board consists of 12 unpaid men. The board was organized originally to take care of public charges, but today we have 100,000 people on the Boston public welfare rolls.

"They are spending this year about \$15,000,000 of the people's money, with no system, no plan. The department at the present time has outstanding on accounts receivable over \$3,000,000. Why? Because there has been such a loose policy of giving out money.

"An investigation of 290 cases aided showed that relief was paid of \$18 to \$27.50 a week and in every one of those cases the money earned by these people had never been more than \$17 a week, the investigation showed."

Charges Favoritism

Representative DesChenes contended that opposition to the bill was due in part because favoritism was shown by the present board. He told of a Boston member of the House who came out of the telephone booth after having obtained from the city a weekly allowance of \$15 for a constituent and then told him (DesChenes) "Don't you see why we've got to kill this bill."

In favor of the bill, Representative Francis D. Dailey of Boston praised Mayor Curley and his administration. He denied the Mayor sought to create a political job.

Arguing that there was no need of a change, Representative John V. Mahoney of Boston declared that the proposed measure was "the most flagrant violation of the city of Boston's rights that has even been introduced in this Legislature."

Representative John T. Reardon of Boston opposed the bill. Said he: "I hope this bill will not be ordered to a third reading. I say to the gentleman from Fitchburg (DesChenes) that the indictment is on the man who filed the bill and not the system."

Why "No Request" by Reardon

At this point Representative DesChenes was recognized. He declared that it was Reardon who had filed the bill "and now he is speaking against it."

The House was in an uproar until Speaker Saltonstall banged his gavel. Representative DesChenes further pointed out that Representative Reardon had not even written "By request" on the Mayor's bill, which is often done.

Replying, Representative Reardon said: "When I attached my signature there was not enough ink in my fountain pen to say that I signed it by request." Again the House roared with laughter.

Continuing, Representative Reardon said: "Now you want to pay someone who held a red light in the last campaign by passing this bill and thus create a job. I say leave Boston alone and take care of Fitchburg."

Bullock Defends Overseers

Urging favorable action, Representative Anderson of Boston said that the credit of the city of Boston was dependent on some adequate control of the Public Welfare Department.

Against the bill, Representative Bullock of Waltham said that the conduct of the Boston Public Welfare Department at present was "second to none." Representative Hearn of East Boston was against the bill and said: "Generally speaking, the present system has worked out excellently."

Representative Birmingham of Brighton said: "I am opposed to this bill and in this particular instance I think the Mayor is wrong." Others to

speak in opposition were Representatives Jones of Peabody, Lewis R. Sullivan of Boston and Smith of Concord.

By a rising vote of 97 to 48 the House refused to order the bill to a third reading.

After the session Representative Reardon said he had filed a bill for the Mayor, but that it had been so changed by the Committee on Cities that he could not support it.

State Milk Bill Passed

On the bill to further regulate the business of making small loans, Representative Smith of Concord offered an amendment restoring the present 3 percent for monthly rate of interest. The bill had reduced it to 2½ percent. Further consideration of the matter was put over until Monday.

The bill providing for creation of a State board for regulation and inspection of milk was passed to be engrossed by a rising vote of 102 to 36. Before that action was taken it was amended to provide that the board shall accept reports of local milk inspectors.

The bill providing for regulation of school busses was passed to be engrossed.

As recommended in a special message from Gov. Ely, the House amended the bill authorizing the city of Boston to pay \$450 to the father of Guenivere B. Caverly, a Boston school pupil who was injured by a fall in a school gymnasium when the swinging rings she was using gave way. The Governor called attention to the need of providing for the payment of the money "from any funds other than school funds available for the purpose." Without division or debate the Governor's amendment was adopted.

Golf Will Preoccupy Curley Rest of Week

Mayor Curley declared yesterday his intention to spend the rest of the week concentrating on golf. He designated Cape Cod as the district and said he would be back Sunday. During his absence official city business will be handled by Acting Mayor Gallagher.

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gars of them, traducing their self-respect and dignity? Why hand out these enormous sums of money and derive no product from it at all?

Give to them the Five Billion Dollar Prosperity Bond Issue by the national government.

They then would be taken out of the bread line, they would be taken off the pauper roll and would be put to useful, constructive work.

Instead of promoting idleness, as Governor Ely well says, the country would be receiving new highways, public buildings, rivers and harbors developments and the other improvement of natural resources which a great and progressive country should have to accommodate the needs of a growing population.

The national government, even now after three years of talk, can be made to adopt this beneficent and sensible program by the pressure of public opinion.

Tell the President, the Senators and the Congressmen you want this done.

Tell them you know that the \$5,000,000,000 Prosperity Bond Issue will relieve unemployment, revive business, promote confidence and restore normal conditions.

Write to them. Or sign the petitions printed elsewhere in this newspaper. Get your club or organization to adopt suitable resolutions.

If you want action. ACT YOURSELF!

BOSTON HONORS INVENTOR OF TELEGRAPH

State and city today honored Samuel F. B. Morse, native of Charlestown, who invented the telegraph 100 years ago tomorrow.

Charlestown school children honored him with a wreath placed on the tablet which marks his birthplace and with exercises in the Clarence R. Edwards school.

Boys of the electrical class ticked off a message across the stage of the auditorium—"What hath God wrought?"—which was the message Morse used in demonstrating to the world that his invention was practical.

GRANDDAUGHTER HERE.

The inventor's granddaughter, Miss Lella Livingstone Morse of

NEW YORK, arriving here from Washington, visited the Western Union main office on Congress st. and inspected the simplex machines, which have been developed out of her grandfather's invention.

She was later received by Gov. Ely and Mayor Curley and tonight will be guest of honor at an observance in Faneuil Hall, with two other grandchildren, John Porter Morse and Miss Clara Morse.

Morse was born April 27, 1791, at what is now 201 Main st., Charlestown. While on a ship at sea May 14, 1832, he conceived the idea of the telegraph.

DENIED RECOGNITION

It was 11 years before he received recognition. At first America and England rejected his plans, but as if by an afterthought as Congress was expiring in March, 1843, aid was voted him to construct a line from Washington to Baltimore. It was over this that he sent the message that rang around the world.

Tomorrow President Hoover will sit by a gold key and send a message from the White House to the Capitol where the instrument used in the first message will take his words.

Boston's Millions for Relief Show Need for Prosperity Bond Issue

Convincing need of a national Prosperity Loan of \$5,000,000,000 for needed public works is shown right here in our own city of Boston. And Boston is in far better shape than the rest of the country.

John J. Shields, the Director of Municipal Employment, estimates there are 100,000 able-bodied persons out of work in the city of Boston.

He estimates there are 250,000 persons dependent upon the 100,000 who are out of work. This condition can be largely remedied by the immediate adoption of the Prosperity Loan plan by Congress.

In other words, one person out of every eight is unemployed in the city of Boston, and more than one person out of every three you know or meet is without earned income.

Is there any wonder that more than \$7,000,000 from the City Treasury was spent for charity relief last year and that at the rate we are going more than \$12,000,000 will be spent ere the year 1932 is written into history!

Applied to the Nation, this means that in excess of \$1,500,000,000 is being expended this year for the welfare relief of unemployment.

And this does not include the very tremendous sums being disbursed by private charities and by the donations of generous citizens to their friends and to the beggar on the street.

Talk about England and Germany and the dole!

We have in the United States of America the most elaborate, expensive and unproductive system of dole in the history of any nation.

If anything at all can be said favorably upon it, it is that the people of the United States, from Boston to San Francisco, detest the dole, dislike to be subjects of charity or pauperism and are desirous of earning what they receive by their honest, dignified labor.

Under these conditions, why a dole at all?

Why demean our people when they do not want to be degraded? Why make paupers and beg-

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GRANDDAUGHTER OF INVENTOR OF TELEGRAPH AT CITY HALL



Seated, Left to Right—Miss Lela Livingston Morse, Mayor Curley, Mrs. Mary Coughlin, Miss Edith Rotch. Standing, Left to Right—Frederick L. Mangone, Mrs. Mary C. Wilson and George L. McAvoy.

Miss Lela Livingston Morse, granddaughter of Prof. Samuel Finley Breese Morse, inventor of the telegraph, in Boston today for the observance in honor of the 100th anniversary of the invention, called this morning on Mayor Curley.

Before going to City Hall Miss Livingston visited the office of the Western Union and Postal Telegraph companies. She was accompanied to City Hall by Mrs. Mary Coughlin and Miss Edith Rotch of the Postal Com-

pany and Frederick L. Mangone, Mrs. Mary C. Wilson and George L. McAvoy of the Western Union.

The Mayor presented the visitors with autographed photographic copies of the tercentenary observance in 1930.

City Workers Fear Curley's Mystery Act

Searching for Voting List for Non-Residents Leads to Many Rumors

By Forrest P. Hull

Every department of the city is much excited today over Mayor Curley's mystery gesture in ordering the voting lists searched to determine the identity of non-residents on the payrolls. Rumors are flying about thick and fast. Is the move merely a routine matter, as the mayor has suggested, or does it have a particular bearing on the recent presidential primary when the mayor was signally defeated for a place on the list of Democratic delegates to the national convention?

Most of the city workers fear the outcome, particularly in the light of the rumors that the mayor has received a fairly accurate check on City Hall's lack of activity at the polls. There is no question that Mr. Curley expected loyal support, for all departments were thoroughly canvassed and the sentiment in his favor was reported as close to 100 per cent as might be expected when the "front office" says the word. But the employees did not express their loyalty in any such proportion. According to the best advised reports, the mayor received less than half the support expected; furthermore, it is said that hundreds of employees received time off to vote and did not go near the polls.

Anyway, the mayor is giving hundreds of employees, and their superiors as well, many anxious hours. Perhaps there is greater anxiety in the departments today than there was in those rather hectic days of 1918 when Mayor Peters, finding an unhappy financial legacy as he assumed his duties, threatened to cut city salaries drastically unless the Legislature should grant him a \$3 increase in the tax rate. Furthermore, Mayor Peters let it be known throughout the departments that he might abolish hundreds of positions and make a systematic slash in salaries. Nothing of the sort occurred, however, and after weeks of perturbation City Hall settled down to a very happy four years under the mayor.

Standing By Employees

Mayor Curley has shown no disposition to abolish positions or cut salaries during his present term, even with the pressure so strong upon him to do so for the benefit of the tax rate. He tells of a committee of bankers who conferred with him a few months ago on the question of Boston's temporary loans and of having flatfootedly told them that he would uphold the rights of the employees to the limit, unless the city faced the direst extremity which would require even greater sacrifices than could be foreseen. He did announce that he would refuse all increases, even with the regrading upward of positions, and fill no vacancies unless such action were absolutely essential for the interests of the public.

Soon afterward, the mayor called a

meeting of his department heads and delivered an ultimatum that all must contribute one day's pay a month for the benefit of the Public Welfare Department, which at the time was dispensing money for unemployment and other forms of relief to the extent of \$1,000,000 a month. Since then the figures have been running much higher and it is unlikely that the year will close with welfare expenditures less than \$12,000,000. And there is also the Soldiers' Relief Department's aid to be reckoned with, applications increasing every day since the men began to be laid off on the Kenmore square subway extension project.

The relief situation is a severe one for the city, but there is an anchor to windward in legislative provision that the city may raise and appropriate for this purpose more than was allowed in the \$18 tax limit measure. Even with such a provision, and the assurance that the city will receive its full share of the \$3,000,000 pledged in public subscriptions, city employees feel that more demands will be made of them by summer, either in the form of increased subscriptions, abolition of positions or the imposition of the stagger system.

Certain department superiors are said to have expressed such sentiments, taking the position that with constant loss of employment in private business the public mind will strongly react against any such favored classes as those in city, State or national employ. The time is long past, it is asserted by the more experienced and hard-headed city superiors, when city, state or nation can juggle or use its funds in ways not open to private business and supply its needs by some manner of miraculous draught.

The situation resulting from the presidential primary is similar to that which resulted from Mayor Curley's defeat by Andrew J. Peters in the mayoral election of December, 1917. At that time he expected the wholehearted support of the city employees and months before the election made the bold announcement that the Street Cleaning and Sanitary Foremen's Association of the Public Works Department had sent him a letter in which the mayor's administration was approved and information given that "every member of the association is instructed to work for your re-election." From that time forward group after group of city employees assured the mayor of their support and active work for him from that large source was patent to every voter. After the election, however, rumors spread that he might indulge in wholesale reprisals against those city employees who had been reported as having worked against him, but nothing of that sort was attempted.

But the city workers with still more active memories refer to that eventful day, Jan. 20, 1916, when Mayor Curley, in his first administration, ordered the removal of eighteen men who had been from ten to thirty-two years in the service of the city, the most important removal being that of Frank A. McInnes, division engineer in charge of the sewer and water service, and the next day announced that they were merely the first group of more than one hundred slated to go. He declared that his move was actuated by the spirit of economy, the Finance Commission having claimed that \$1,000,000 could be saved in the Public Works Department. The rumor was that they had been discharged for political activity for the Storrow slate during the preceding campaign. Anyway, all of them got back in the city service by favorable decisions in the courts under the civil service regulations.

Curley Welfare Bill Defeated by House

The bill sponsored by Mayor Curley, seeking to reorganize the public welfare department of the city of Boston under a single paid head, with an advisory council of ten persons, in place of the present unpaid board of twelve overseers, met defeat in the House of Representatives yesterday by a rising vote of 97 to 48.

The measure was opposed by nearly all of the Democratic members, who followed the lead of Representative Peter J. Fitzgerald of Dorchester. Representative Fitzgerald said that the mayor's motive in having the bill filed was his desire to obtain complete control of the public welfare department and obtain another paid job to be given as a reward to some political associate.

Representative Louis N. M. DesChenes of Fitchburg, chairman of the House committee on cities, defended the bill, which was favorably reported by his committee by a vote of 8 to 7. Mr. DesChenes said that an intolerable situation now exists in the Boston welfare department, which is spending \$15,000,000 a year without any system. He charged that favoritism is being shown by the present board of overseers.

Friars in Parade Stop at City Hall

Led by a police escort and the Boston Fireman's Band of 125 pieces, the Friars, famous organization of Broadway stage stars, indulged in a street parade today. They came from Providence by special train to give their all-star frolic at the Boston Opera House this afternoon and evening. Forming in line at the South Station the fifty-seven Broadway stars paraded up Summer Street, through Washington and up School street to City Hall where, in the absence of Mayor Curley, they were received by President Edward M. Gallagher of the City Council, who addressed them from the steps of the building. An hour after the entire company had luncheon at the Hotel Lenox.

BORN IN AMERICA

To the Editor of the Transcript:

In answering my letter in which I objected to the designation of Mayor Curley as an Irish Catholic, and in which I asked what is an American, Mr. John Hall says he read in Boston papers of entertainments given by people from various counties in Ireland.

I do not claim people born in Ireland are Americans, or that the "sons of Italy" or the sons of any foreign country are Americans. I do claim that the sons of "Uncle Sam" are Americans.

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FOUR CURLEY CUP GAMES INTEREST SOCCER FANS

Beacons Strengthened For Game With MacGregors At Quincy Pitch

By GEORGE M. COLLINS

Soccer fans are offered their selection of four great James M. Curley Cup games tomorrow afternoon.

Quincy should have quite an attendance when the Beacon A. C. of Everett faces Clan MacGregor in a first-round game. So much interest has been evinced in this clash that the boys are keyed up to the highest pitch. Several new faces will be seen in the "Oilers" lineup. The two Welcome boys will be in there, as will a full-back, Connough, whose qualifications are such that Manager Jenkinson is counting on him to stop the MacGregors' forwards.

Every time this pair of B. and D. League teams meet the fans are thrilled by the smart playing. Manager McChesnie will use his best team, including Greer, Hay brothers, Sammy, Tommy and Jimmy.

Down at Walpole the Birdies will try to make it two straight over the Needham boys. Getting a nice lead last week in the first game, the Bird & Son team can see nothing but a clean walk-away. Manager McLaughlin hopes to have Jackie McAlister for that left-wing berth.

Boston Celtics and Dorchester Waverly, who played a tie last week, will clash at Sullivan sq in the second tilt. The Waverly team lost a glorious opportunity to go into the lead last week, with the Celtics shorthanded, but now that Toner and company will be available the outlook for the Dorchester team is not so good.

Hyde Park 101 gets a home game with the Norwegian-Americans. Last week this pair were ready to play, but found the referee was missing. Tomorrow the official will be on hand and Asplund-Ericksen and Arnesen can figure on a rousing tilt.

Bunker Hill Celtics and St Anthony's of East Cambridge will stage their N. M. and N. H. State Junior Cup game at Columbus Park, South Boston. Pat Duffy and his charges must show improved form if they expect to stand up against the Simmons-Roche-Silva team.

TOMORROW'S SOCCER

James M. Curley Cup

First Round

Clan MacGregor vs Beacon A. C. at Quincy.

Boston Celtics vs Dorchester-Waverly at Sullivan sq.

Hyde Park 101 vs Norwegian-Americans at Readville Playground.

Bird & Son vs Needham at Walpole.

Victoria Cup

First Round

Riversides vs Boston Rangers at Lynn.

Bay State League

New England Division

St Pius vs Worcester Scandinavians at Lynn.

South Lawrence vs Corinthians at South Lawrence.

N. M. and N. H. State Junior Cup

First Round

Bunker Hill Celtics vs St Anthony's at Columbus Park, South Boston.

All games start at 3:30 p m.

write finis to the game in the East. Former Secretary Tom Cahill of the U. S. F. A. believes that the professionals need support and encouragement more than ever. He spent considerable time in St Louis and knows what the conditions are out that way.

Secretary Sam Fletcher of the American League is getting his facts ready for presentation to the delegates at Baltimore.

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Curley North Shore Road Link Approved

Mayor Curley's petition for a roadway to connect the new East Boston tunnel with the North Shore was approved today by the State Department of Public Works. The road will be 100 feet wide and approximately three miles long; will cost in excess of \$1,000,000 and will extend from Boardman st., East Boston, to the Revere Beach Parkway.

B. C. FRESHMEN PLAN PARTY NEXT FRIDAY

The freshmen class of Boston College, which is one of the largest that has entered, will hold its first social function next Friday evening in the Copley-Plaza, to mark the close of the



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freshmen year for these students, as all classes at the college will be concluded for the year on that day.

Paul G. Curley, son of the Mayor, is president of the class, and has made arrangements for the prom. Dancing will be from 9 p m until 2 a m.

The assisting committee includes Daniel G. Holland, chairman; Francis R. Liddell, Gordon B. Connor, Lawrence R. Kirvan, William J. Casey and Thomas W. Walsh, and there will be an attractive program with many favors and novelties.

Other class officers are George C. Goodwin, vice president; Joseph E. Donovan, treasurer; John P. Broderick, secretary, and Charles M. Featherstone, A. A. representative.

FAMOUS ACTORS IN FRIARS' PARADE TODAY

Swinging along to the martial strains of the 125-piece Boston Fire Department Band, and with a detail of motorcycle and mounted police to clear the way, a carload of Broadway stars—all members of the Friars' Club of New York, the famous actors' organization—will march from South Station this morning to the City Hall, where they will be welcomed to Boston by Mayor James M. Curley.

The Friars, who are here 70 strong to present their annual production of the Friars' Frolic at the Boston Opera House this afternoon and night, will be headed by some of the best-known entertainers on the musical comedy stage, including Eddie Leonard, the famous minstrel man, and Eddie Leonard Jr, Pat Rooney and Pat the third, Joe Frisco, Georgie Price, Harry Hershfield, the famous newspaper humorist and cartoonist, who created "Abe Kabibble"; Shaw and Lee, Jans and Whalen, Walter C. ("Virginia Judge") Kelly and a host of others.

Arriving at South Station at 11:10 a m, the Friars' special train will be met by their police escort and the Fire Department Band. They will assemble at the Summer-st entrance of the station, march up Summer st to Washington, to School st, to the City Hall. After they have been greeted by Mayor Curley at City Hall they will reassemble and march up School st to Tremont, to Boylston st, to the Hotel Lenox, where they will stay while they are in Boston.

'Friars' Invade City Hall for Welcome



EDWARD GALLAGHER, representing Mayor Curley, and Fire Commissioner McLaughlin, second row, center, shown with group of Friars on City Hall steps after they were officially welcomed to Boston for annual "Friars' Frolic"

FRIARS' FROLIC AT OPERA HOUSE

The Friars, 75 strong, came to town yesterday to give matinee and evening benefit performances of their annual "Friars' Frolic" at the Boston Opera House.

Met at the South Station by the 125-piece Boston Fire Department Band, these members of the famous New York theatrical organization, wearing the linen dusters with blue borders and the straw hats that are their uniforms, marched up Summer, Washington and School sts. to City Hall, where they were greeted by Acting Mayor Edward M. Gallagher, president of the City Council, and a flurry of paper thrown from buildings across the street.

Walter C. Kelly of "Virginia Judge" fame, replied to Mr. Gallagher's welcoming speech. Eddie Leonard, well-known minstrel; Eddie Leonard, Jr., Pat Rooney and Pat the 3d, Joe Frisco, and Harry Hershfield, creator of "Abie Kabibble," were in the group.

The Friars are making a tour of 40 cities for the benefit of needy actors and to wipe out the deficit of their own club, of which George M. Cohan is the Abbot.

Among the features of their show here in Boston yesterday was the appearance of former Mayor John F. Fitzgerald as one of the end-men in the minstrel portion of the entertainment.

The Friars Club was founded some 20 years ago by theatrical press agents and was taken over by actors. Arthur Brisbane and "Bugs" Baer are also members.

It was stated that between \$5000 and \$6000 was taken in at the two performances. The funds will be used to benefit unemployed actors.

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PLANS ARE UNDER WAY FOR \$1,000,000 ROADWAY

It was said at the State Department of Public Works yesterday that plans are being prepared for the new \$1,000,000 roadway, to connect the East Boston Tunnel with the North Shore drive. The new roadway will be 100 feet wide and about three miles long, between Boardman st, East Boston, and the Revere Beach Parkway.

Mayor Curley, more than a month ago, petitioned the department to lay out the new roadway.

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POLITICS AND POLITICIANS

By JOHN D. MERRILL

This is the period between seasons in politics. The delegates to the national conventions have been elected and there is little for the politicians to do except to gossip about the Presidential candidates and about what may happen in the November elections.

The national situation, so far as the Democratic party is concerned, is far from clear. Gov Franklin D. Roosevelt will have many more delegates than any other candidate, but it is by no means certain he will be nominated, although his friends are confident of success. The weakness of the opposition to his nomination lies in the fact that most of the men who have been prominently discussed as possible candidates are vulnerable in one way or another. Therefore it would not be surprising, in case Gov Roosevelt fails to get the necessary two-thirds vote in the convention, if the result were the nomination of a real "dark horse."

One or two visitors to Massachusetts since the primary have suggested that Gov Ely should not be dismissed too lightly in the consideration of candidates for the Presidency. The story is that the Governor will nominate Ex-Gov Alfred E. Smith, and those who know the former feel certain he will make a good impression on the delegates in the convention. Few people expect the nomination of Ex-Gov Smith. When the time comes for Mr Smith's withdrawal it is quite conceivable that he might use his influence in favor of the Governor of Massachusetts, who has been a devoted and ardent supporter of the nominee of 1928.

Unless Gov Roosevelt is nominated on an early ballot Mr Smith will have an important part in selecting a compromise candidate. Gov Roosevelt, with his large block of votes, will be still more influential. Gov Ely would probably be acceptable to Gov Roosevelt if the latter decided that his own cause was lost. The Smith candidates for delegates-at-large in the recent Massachusetts primary were careful not to say anything derogatory about the New York Governor, and there is reason for believing that the two Governors are friendly.

It may seem unlikely that the Democrats will turn to New England for their Presidential candidate. Ten years ago such a result would have been almost impossible. But Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island and perhaps New Hampshire have become doubtful territory. A man who could carry those States—and there seems little doubt that Gov Ely could do so—is by no means lacking in the qualification known as availability, which has much to do with the nomination of a candidate for the Presidency.

Democratic Politics

Now that Frank J. Donahue has been appointed and confirmed as a judge of the Massachusetts Superior

Court, the Democrats in the State must elect some one to succeed him as chairman of the Democratic State committee and as the Massachusetts member of the Democratic national committee. It is improbable that both of these posts will be given to one man. The member of the national committee will be chosen by the Massachusetts delegation to the national convention; the chairman of the State committee will be selected by the members of that body.

Gov Ely has let it be known that he is interested in the election of Dr Justus G. Hanson of Northampton as the Massachusetts member of the Democratic national committee. Dr Hanson is not a familiar figure in this part of the State, but the endorsement by the Governor seems likely to be controlling in this matter. The Northampton man organized Hampshire County for Gov Ely in the primary campaign two years ago and the former's effective work at that time highly commended him to Mr Ely and his friends. Moreover, the Democrats in the western part of the State feel that they should provide the member of the national committee if the chairmanship of the State committee is going to a Boston man.

Ex-Mayor John F. Fitzgerald has been proposed for the place on the national committee, but he said yesterday he had told Gov Ely that he (Mr Fitzgerald) would make no fight for the position if the Governor and his friends wanted to elect Dr Hanson. According to Mr Fitzgerald, the Governor said he was interested in Dr Hanson, whereupon Mr Fitzgerald said he was out of the field. Daniel H. Coakley of this city has been a candidate for the national committee, and his friends say he will continue the fight.

The party leaders are more interested in the chairmanship of the State committee. The most prominent candidate for this office is Joseph A. Maynard of Waltham, formerly of this city. He is one of the best-known Democrats in the State. He is warmly backed by Ex-Mayor Fitzgerald, and the story is that he is acceptable to Senator Walsh and Gov Ely. Charles F. Riordan of Sharon, now vice chairman of the State Committee, may be described as a receptive candidate for the chairmanship; he has done nothing for himself, but his friends have sounded the members. Ex-Senator Joseph J. Mulhern of this city also has been suggested for the post, but so far as is known he has taken no steps in his own behalf.

The Democratic leaders say there are about 800,000 potential but unregistered voters in Massachusetts and that probably 75 percent of them would vote the Democratic ticket if their names were on the list. It is believed that another energetic chairman of the State committee could, if he had sufficient funds, continue the work begun by Mr Donahue and at once register something like 200,000 new voters, thus making the State permanently Democratic. For this reason the election of a competent chairman of the State committee is regarded as much more important than

the choice of the member of the national committee

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Rules Against Loan for Traffic Circle

Attorney-General Finds Bill to Borrow \$3,000,000 Is Unconstitutional

By Richard D. Grant

The bill to permit the city of Boston to borrow \$3,000,000 for the purpose of constructing a traffic circle in Haymarket square and street widenings incident to the construction of the new East Boston vehicular tunnel, is unconstitutional in the opinion of Attorney General Joseph E. Warner.

An opinion was asked by the Senate a week ago in an order sponsored by Senator Henry Parkman of Boston after the view had been expressed that the issuance of \$3,000,000 in additional bonds would impair the market for the bonds sold on the tunnel project itself to the value of \$16,000,000.

The opinion of the attorney general's department, prepared by Assistant Attorney General Edward T. Simoneau, will be sent some time today to the clerk of the Senate.

It is understood that a new draft of the bill has been prepared and is now in the hands of the attorney general for examination. The new bill, it is believed, will allow the necessary land takings and flotation of the additional \$3,000,000 loan necessary without impairment of the original contract by providing a separate and distinct financing method in no way connected with the \$16,000,000 bond issue.

The amended measure which will be offered in the Senate this afternoon by Senator Samuel H. Wragg of Needham, chairman of the legislative Committee on Municipal Finance, provides that the cost of the traffic circle and street widening be taken from the excess tolls received in the operation of the tunnel. Under the original bill these were to go to the city of Boston.

In his opinion, Attorney General Warner advised the Senate:

"Section 2 of House Bill 1404 (the street widening measure) provides for the issuance of \$3,000,000 additional bonds for terms not exceeding thirty years and that the sinking fund provisions of St. 1928, C. 297, P. 8, shall also apply to such additional bonds. The effect of this change is to lessen the security of the bond holders who purchased and hold bonds of the original \$16,000,000 issue, and to that extent impairs the contract rights of the holders of said bonds. Contract rights have vested in said bond holders and the Legislature has no power to alter such contract rights to the detriment of those who dealt with the city of Boston upon the faith of the authority granted by the Legislature to that city."

"I accordingly must answer your question in the negative, but am of the opinion that, with appropriate amendments the said bill will, if enacted into law, be constitutional."



A GOOD OLD HAT, BUT—

He hurls the old hat across his office and admires his new summery skypiece—light, cool and comfortable. Oh, boy!

A FELLOW COULDN'T WITH A DERBY

Then he doffs his brilliant, white Panama—in a manner that is impossible with a stiff, more formal derby.

AMERICAN

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Pictured Story of How the Mayor Shed a Derby and Donned a Straw



PHEW! NEAR 100

Mayor Curley arrives at his office, hot and sweaty, and remembers winter has departed.

REMEMBERS HAT DAY

He recalls that derbies "went out yesterday" and sends messenger to purchase a Panama. (Staff photos.)

Roosevelt Special for Bay State Men

Undaunted by the three-to-one defeat their slate of delegates suffered at the hands of the ticket for Alfred E. Smith in the April primaries, Massachusetts supporters of Governor Franklin D. Roosevelt are planning to run a Roosevelt special train to the national convention which opens in Chicago on June 27.

Plans for the train, which will very likely include a special car for Mayor James M. Curley, who topped the Roosevelt slate, have developed to the point where the sponsors, Charles H. McGlue, former chairman of the Democratic State Committee, and William H. McMasters, anticipate that ten Pullmans will be required to accommodate the Bay State backers of the New York governor in the race for the presidential nomination. It is expected that the train will be assembled under the direction of Boston & Maine officials and will depart from the North Station with stops at Fitchburg and Gardner to pick up any supporters in the western part of the State.

McGlue and McMasters, together with Mayor Curley, persist in the prediction that Roosevelt will capture the nomination and that they will be a more solid group on the return from the convention than the Smith group which will comprise the entire State Democratic delegation.

Paving Approved for Two Streets

Among the projects approved by Mayor Curley today are the following:

Resurfacing of Forest Hills street, West Roxbury, from Glen road to Williams street, at a cost of \$5500, with departmental forces, and the laying of an asphalt surface in Chestnut Hill avenue, Brighton, at a cost of \$8500; the construction of a sewer in Pleasant street, Dorchester, at a cost of \$3000, and in Thornley street, Dorchester at a cost of \$18,000; a contract to J. J. Hurley Company for installation of new steam and return mains at the Boston City Hospital in the sum of \$8889.

Massachusetts Is Staggering Under 50 Million 'Dole' for Year

Per Capita Expenditure of \$15 a Person—
Boston Expects to Spend \$14,000,000 or
Six Times the Total for 1928

By EDWARD ALLEN

Massachusetts this year is staggering under the burden of a \$50,000,000 "dole."

This sum does not include the cost of running expensive state, municipal, county and federal hospitals and institutions. It does not represent money paid out by the state for public welfare or cash expended by the federal government for veterans' compensation and pensions.

It includes merely the cost of operating welfare agencies in the cities and towns for the immediate relief of the unemployed or extraordinary suffering caused by the death or incapacity of the family provider.

It amounts to a per capita expenditure of about \$15 a person. Each taxpayer has to bear many times that amount.

In Boston the "dole," public and private, is expected to exceed \$14,000,000 this year.

The overseers of the public welfare alone are distributing more than \$1,600,000 every month.

The \$3,000,000 raised in the United Boston unemployment campaign was

barely sufficient to maintain the institutions for which it was collected for 10 weeks.

Soldiers' relief, due to the discharge of veterans employed on the Kenmore square subway extension project, is mounting rapidly. In April, 1931, the department spent \$26,142. Last month, it distributed \$105,014.

Since then, 103 veterans have been laid off, with the expectancy that the figure would reach 500 within a few days. The rest have been placed on part time.

At the present rate, soldiers' relief will cost the city more than \$1,125,000 this year. The cost for the first four months of 1932 was \$275,956 as compared with \$170,000 in 1931.

In addition, private charities received from the privately-collected unemployment fund a third of the \$3,000,000 which was successfully raised. Their share does not include the income from large gifts, endowments, and other regular sources.

Three-Fifths of the Loaf

Patriotic and historic interest has compromised the needed economy and the fine old Dillaway House in Roxbury is to be restored, after all.

Mayor Curley first recommended \$25,000 for the restoration cost. But it is necessary to conserve municipal funds. Patriotic and historical organizations appealed on behalf of the landmark. As result, the Council declined to cut the appropriation to \$5000 and set it better on half-way at \$15,000. Half the loaf is better than none.

Our historical buildings are civic assets. Tourists come here to see them—and spend money while they are here. The Dillaway House, as headquarters of Washington artillery officers, is one of our links with the past.

Illegal Cut in Ill Vets' Cash Creates Storm

By BERT BROCKBANK

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A wave of protest swept over Boston and New England yesterday at the recent move of the U. S. Veterans Bureau to deprive thousands of World War veterans of retroactive compensation payments totalling millions of dollars.

Under a new ruling issued two weeks ago by the Bureau in Washington at least 15,000 New England disabled veterans stand to lose an average of \$1900 each in retroactive compensation.

The total number of veterans affected throughout the nation is placed at approximately 250,000, with a resulting loss to them of nearly \$250,000,000. The ruling is alleged to be illegal, as it is not based on any enabling act of Congress and was made without the sanction of the legal division of the bureau.

IMMEDIATE EFFECT HERE

Although copies of the ruling were sent out from the compensation division in Washington to every district bureau in the country, Boston is the only district to put the ruling into immediate effect, it was reported yesterday.

While a number of Greater Boston disabled veterans have already suffered loss of retroactive disability payments running from several hundred dollars to several thousand dollars under the new ruling, other district bureaus are awaiting a ruling by the legal division before putting it into effect.

While officials of veterans' organizations in Boston yesterday were perfecting plans for combating the move to mulct disabled ex-servicemen, Mayor Curley expressed amazement that such an order could have been directed against the "most deserving class of men in the nation."

OUTRAGEOUS, SAYS CURLEY

"This is an outrageous procedure," he declared, "unwarranted, cruel and unfair in the advantage it takes of the disabled veterans. It is most outrageous in that the ruling discriminates between the private in the ranks and the officer."

"If national economics are necessary at Washington they should not be made at the expense of the most deserving men in the nation and those in the greatest need—the disabled veterans. It is about that time the hypocritical system to protect wealth was revised in favor of the average American citizen."

Commander George W. Cronin of the Massachusetts department, Veterans of Foreign Wars, which is leading the fight to have the ruling revoked, revealed that the Boston bureau was the only one to immediately act upon it.

"Our whole organization is against this idea of cutting off

retroactive compensation for disabled veterans," said Commander Cronin. "The Boston bureau is the only one in the entire country that has put the new ruling into effect; the others are awaiting a decision as to its legality before acting on its provisions."

"I understand that the legal division of the Washington bureau did not approve of the move and we are waiting to see what action will be taken by Gen. Hines on the legal opinion. We intend to fight it to the bitter end and see that justice is done to the disabled veterans."

BITTER CRITICISM

Officials of other veteran organizations and societies who have the interests of the disabled veteran at heart were equally strong in their denunciation of the move.

The bitterest criticism was against the apparent discrimination between disabled officers and men of the rank and file. The slash in no way was directed at disabled or retired officers.

It was charged that the ruling, sent out within 48 hours of the slashing of the Veterans' Bureau budget in an economy move by Congress, was for the purpose of bolstering up the depreciated budget, and that the first blow was struck at the disabled veterans who could least stand it.

Under the ruling, every claim filed by a disabled veteran for disability compensation will be treated as a new claim and if awarded will be effective only from the date of the new claim.

Claims which have been pending for years, during which time the veterans have been forced to receive medical treatment, will also be treated as new claims without retroactive benefit.

One example of the way in which the new ruling will affect claims is the case of a veteran in Portland, Me., who filed his claim back in 1921 and presented himself for examination. He was advised to take hospital treatment, but he refused to become a hospital case and left his claim in the bureau's hands.

The bureau in Washington ruled that by refusing hospital treatment he had withdrawn his claim. He filed a new claim last year and when the award was made it was treated as having no connection with the previous claim and retroactive benefit was refused. This veteran lost \$2400 as a result of the ruling.

The entire question has been put up to Gen. Hines, director of the bureau at Washington, by the representatives of veteran organization and a decision is expected within a few days.

CLAIMS MAYOR WAS AGAINST 'TAPPING'

But Curley Disclaims Any Responsibility for Common Crowd Going Thirsty

Because Boston's beer parade was a bit flat yesterday, today its "brewer," Councillor Clement A. Norton of Hyde Park, sought the reason.

The blame for lack of refreshments at yesterday's party floated all over City Hall today seeking a Mt. Olivet on which to land.

First descent was in the office of Mayor Curley.

"A keg of beer? Why, I didn't even know that he intended to have a keg on hand," declared His Honor.

"Yesterday was a good day for a glass of beer, wasn't it? And it wouldn't go half bad today," the mayor remarked as he deftly kicked the "blame" out and started it on its floating way again.

It was last seen floating out Washington st., headed for Hyde Park.

Councillor Norton, organizer and chief "brewer," is supposed to have promised a keg of cool, foaming beer would be waiting.

Some say there were several thousand marchers. Others estimated only several hundred. Several hundred or several thousand, many were seeking the keg of beer.

For a time the beer parade took on the aspect of the old parlor game:

"Beer, beer, who's got the beer?"

Councillor Norton explained its conspicuous absence by explaining:

"The keg of beer was against the wishes of the mayor."

CURLEY HONOR GUEST

Mayor Curley will be guest of honor and will present the James M. Curley, Jr., prize to Dr. Mary Moore Beatty, chief ranger of Rev. Daniel I. Cronin Court, at the 53rd annual session of Massachusetts Catholic Order of Foresters at Swampscott, May 24. The prize is awarded the member of his order securing the largest number of members during the 12 months prior to the annual meeting. Dr. Beatty secured 107 members.

BANQUET FOR GLYNN

Friends of Chairman Theodore A. Glynn, of the municipal street commission, will tender him a banquet in observance of his recent appointment to that position by Mayor Curley in Hyde Park.

Boston Keeps Expenses Close to Its Budget

Only Once in 26 Years Have They Exceeded Total Appropriations

Boston's remarkable showing in finance over a long period of years has been briefly compiled by City Auditor Rupert C. Carven and is being sent in pamphlet form to banking houses, educational institutions, city and town officials and libraries throughout the country. Three distinct points are made in illustrating the city's financial position:

- 1.—The setting of a system of self-supporting debt, which financiers refer to as an "enterprise" debt.
- 2.—The fact that Boston changed its policy of issuing bonds for thirty or forty years for one of twenty years or less.
- 3.—That in the last twenty-six years, with one exception, the total expenses of the city have not exceeded the total appropriations.

Mayor Curley, commenting on Mr. Carven's statement, declared that it ought to be in the hands of every person who has been worrying over the conditions attending national, State or municipal finance; that it had been prepared at the interesting period of borrowing in anticipation of taxes in floating its temporary money or when Boston has had no difficulty in securing a low rate of interest.

Boston's Indebtedness

The statement has in the background the computation that the city's net debt of \$65,071,369.12 and the county's net debt of \$1,118,506.92 represents only 3.380 per cent of the valuation; that the enterprise debt, including water at \$448,000; traffic tunnel, \$7,050,000; and rapid transit at \$45,626,311.48 represents only 2.716 per cent of valuation. The net indebtedness within the debt limit is \$47,632,096 and the net indebtedness outside the debt limit is \$71,722,091.

"Since 1909 all debt issued has been serial with the exception of rapid transit debt has been issued for current expense which are sinking fund," the statement says. "These latter are financed from revenue. The policy of issuing debt for thirty and forty years was discontinued some years ago. All serial debt now issued, both inside and outside the debt limit, is payable in twenty years or less. The rapid transit debt is sinking fund, payable in forty-five years, while the traffic tunnel debt is sinking fund, payable in fifty years but callable after twenty years.

"No debt has been issued for unemployment relief or soldiers' relief. No debt has been issued for current expenses. The law requires that all authorizations for debt to be issued within the debt limit shall have the certificate of

the mayor that such debt is not to meet a current expense. All bonds issued have the security of unlimited taxation for the payment of principal and interest. Boston has never defaulted any payment of principal or interest of the city debt. All betterments collected on account of loan expenditures are used for the payment of debt and not credited to general revenue.

"The debt incurring power is 2 1/2 per cent of the average valuations for three years, less abatements. All debt issued not included in this limit was authorized by special acts of the Massachusetts Legislature."

Question of Taxes

Under the title of "The Tax Rate," Mr. Carven wishes the public to realize that increased taxes are not wholly caused by increased costs of government. "Intangible personal property is not taxed locally," he says, "but is included in the income tax assessed by the State. This tax is based upon income and obviously fluctuates in periods of prosperity and depression. As this tax is distributed to the cities and towns and becomes a deduction from the tax levy, it is quite evident that a substantial decrease in such revenue must be met by a corresponding increase in the tax rates upon real estate and personal property, if valuation and other elements are relatively the same. The tax upon corporations, as assessed by the State and for the greater part distributed to the cities and towns is based in part upon income, and the reduced revenue has its effect upon tax rates, relatively the same as does income tax."

Discussing temporary loans, which are made in anticipation of taxes, Mr. Carven stresses one of his greatest satisfactions in office—the fact that Boston, over a long period of years, has paid these loans within the first week of October, from the current taxes received. Only rarely has it been necessary to negotiate additional temporary loans before the close of the year. No temporary loans were outstanding at the end of 1931.

As to cash surplus or deficit, the city auditor mentions the fact that since 1922 the practice of the city keeping its books open at the end of the year until all known liabilities have been paid, has been in effect; that the liabilities in one year are paid from the cash surplus or cash deficit at the end of each year, not the book surplus or deficit sometimes exhibited in municipal accounting.

"A cash deficit does not of itself indicate unsound financing," the city auditor says. "During times of financial depression, many taxpayers are temporarily unable to meet their obligations, with the result that municipalities may fail to receive by the end of the year sufficient tax receipts to meet their current payments. Boston's experience during the year 1931 is an illustration. The cash deficit at the end of the year, after the payment of all known liabilities, was \$2,494,600.84, while the uncollected 1931 property taxes to meet this deficit were \$11,040,114.73. This deficit has already been met by the collection of 1931 taxes within the first three months of the current year."

\$43,889 IN CITY WORK O. K.'D

Public works and construction to cost \$43,889 were approved today by Mayor Curley.

The works approved were: Construction of sewers in Pleasant st., Dorchester, \$3000, and in Thornley st., Dorchester, \$18,000.

Resurfacing Forest Hills st. West Roxbury from Glen rd., to Williams st., \$5500, and Chestnut Hill ave., \$8500.

An \$8889 contract was awarded to the J. J. Hurley Co. for the installation of steam mains at City Hospital.

CITY EMPLOYE FAMILIES IN CHECKUP

Each Worker Must Give Audi- tor Addresses and Names of His Dependents

Additional checkup of every city employee's family is being made by officials of the office of City Auditor Rupert S. Carven, it was revealed by Mayor Curley today. The check on employees themselves began last week.

Not only is the worker required to furnish the auditor's office with the address from which he was registered by the police on the first day of April, 1931 and 1932, but he is also asked for the street address and the name of the city or town in which his wife and children reside.

MUST LIST CHILDREN

Likewise he is required to furnish the names and ages of dependent children and to state what school they attend.

Questionnaires are now being distributed through all city departments and the information now received will be contained in the list of city and county employees published in book form next year.

Under the law all departments of the city and county are required to furnish all such information to the city auditor on June 1 of each year.

When the checkup is complete, city officials will possess for the first time in history a complete list of employees who actually side outside

Mayor Starts Elks' Good-Will Studebaker



MAYOR STARTS STUDEBAKER FOR BIRMINGHAM

The photo shows the start of the Boston to Birmingham run of the Elks good will Studebaker. Left to right: Fred La Pierre and Gerald M. Sullivan of the Studebaker Sales Company, Mayor Curley shaking hands with Driver Downing, Exalted Ruler Joseph A. Cresson of the Boston Lodge of Elks, Secretary T. F. McCarron and District Deputy Leo F. Donovan.

One of the official Elks Studebaker good will cars now en route to the grand annual Elks convention at Birmingham, Ala., was started on its way from in front of City Hall by Mayor Curley yesterday afternoon.

Mayor Curley presented to Joseph Downing, the operator, a letter of congratulation to the Mayor of Birmingham, and further complimented Vice-President Gerald M. Sullivan, and Treasurer Fred La Pierre of the Studebaker Sales Company of Boston, local Studebaker distributors, on the fine appearance of the car and the spirit which prompted and is carrying out this "good will" tour throughout the land.

Others in the bon-voyage party were Exalted Ruler Joseph A. Cresson, Secretary T. F. McCarron, Trustee T. J. McManus and Past Exalted Ruler John F. Malley of the Boston Lodge of Elks.

The new Studebaker, President Elght, painted with the official purple and white of the order of Elks, presented a decidedly attractive appearance while awaiting the starting of the journey, which will be through many cities,

towns and States until its arrival in Birmingham, after rolling up 16,000 miles.

Two other Studebakers were started on a similar good will tour yesterday, one from Chicago and the other from Seattle, all having Birmingham as their destination.

CITY IMPROVEMENTS TO COST \$43,889

Public improvements costing \$43,889, including the re-surfacing of Chestnut Hill avenue, Brighton, with sheet asphalt to provide a smooth traffic artery from Washington to Beacon street, were approved late yesterday by Mayor Curley.

The other projects ordered by the Mayor were the re-paving of Forest Hills street, West Roxbury, from Glen road to Williams street; the construction of sewer works in Pleasant and Thornley streets, Dorchester, and the installation of a new steam system of mains at the City Hospital.

CRUSADERS OFF TODAY FOR COAST

Governor and Mayor Will Give Them Sendoff

The Crusaders' coast-to-coast automobile tour, advocating the repeal of the 18th amendment, will start from the State House grounds shortly after 11 this morning. Governor Ely will receive Arthur L. Stanek of Boston, commander of the tour, at the executive chambers, and will in-trust him with a letter to the Governor of the State of Washington at Olympia. It is expected that he will then accompany Mr. Stanek to his automobile on the grounds of the State House and wish him Godspeed in his own behalf and that of the people of the State.

FIRST STAMP FOR ELY

Mr. Stanek will in turn present the Governor with the first set of red, white and blue stamps of which one million have been issued. The stamps read "Repeal Prohibition for Prosperity."

From his audience with the Governor Mr. Stanek will drive to City Hall, where he will be greeted by Mayor Curley. Here he will be presented with an open letter to the various mayors of cities through which he will pass en route for the Pacific coast.

Following his visit to City Hall, Mr. Stanek and his party, composed of his wife, Ruth Shepard Stanek, and his three children, Stella, Lester and Harold, and Miss Helen Kennedy, a governess from Dedham, will proceed under motorcycle police escort over School, Washington, Court, Tremont, Boylston streets, Massachusetts to Commonwealth avenue and on to Worcester.

Special Programmes

Special programmes have been arranged by the Crusaders in the various cities through which Mr. Stanek will pass, and groups of women will assist in the sale of the repeal stamps that he will distribute from coast to coast. He will proceed through Worcester, Springfield and Pittsfield today, stopping at the Repeal Shops in these cities of the Women's Organization for National Prohibition Reform.

Repeal Week, a nationwide demonstration directed by the Women's Organization for National Prohibition Reform, was opened in this city by the placing of tables in the leading hotels and the opening of a second shop at 134 Washington street, for the securing of anti-prohibition signatures and the sale of repeal stamps.

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His Honor Dons the Light Skimmer



Mayor James M. Curley, shown yesterday at City Hall, as he put aside the old campaign derby to don his new esnnet. His Honor is quite a fashion arbiter in his own right, running S. Hooper-Hooper a close second for sartorial splendor.

Mercury at 93 Sets New May 16 Record

The temperature hit a new all-time high for May 16 yesterday, scorching Boston at 2 p. m. with a record heat of 93.

Beaches and golf courses were thronged. Fifteen thousand persons sought relief at Revere, and a like number at Nantasket.

L st. was crowded. Hat shops did a record first day business. An avalanche of buyers discarded felts and "iron hats" and donned new straws.

Yesterday's 93 exceeded the former mercury mark of 85 scored May 16, 1929. The record heat for May is 97. It was made May 26, 1880.

The forecaster predicted shower for today.

Mayor to Push Hub Traffic Circle Plans

Thought the bill to permit the city to borrow \$3,000,000 to construct a traffic circle in Haymarket sq. and street widening connected with the new East Boston vehicular tunnel, was declared unconstitutional in the opinion of the attorney general yesterday, Mayor Curley intimated that it would not affect the new street changes.

The Mayor declared that other bills, now in the legislature, would take care of the new work.

These new bills, it is believed, will allow the necessary land-taking and flotation of the \$3,000,000 loan.

In his opinion yesterday, the attorney-general held that the legislation to get the \$3,000,000 would impair the value of bonds to the amount of \$16,000,000 already authorized for the construction of the tunnels.

The attorney-general added, however, that the legislation, if properly amended, could be made constitutional.

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\$2,494,000 HUB DEFICIT WIPE OUT

\$3,000,000 of the 1931 Unpaid Taxes Are Turned In

Boston taxpayers have not only wiped out the \$2,494,600 cash deficit in the city treasury at the end of the year, but, through late payments of their 1931 taxes, have created a surplus of over \$500,000, City Auditor Rupert S. Carven announced last night.

DEFICIT WIPE OUT

In a printed pamphlet containing facts and figures relating to the city which will be made available for municipal bond investors and others interested, the city auditor pointed out that against that cash deficit were outstanding more than \$11,000,000 in unpaid property taxes for 1931, at the beginning of the new year. Since then \$3,000,000 of this has been paid.

The net debt for the city and county at the end of the year was \$66,189,876, equal to 3.38 per cent of Boston's valuation for 1931 which totalled \$1,958,010,000.

Self-Supporting Debt

Boston also had self-supporting debt of \$53,164,311, including \$45,626,311 in rapid transit facilities, \$7,050,000 in the tunnel and \$400,000 in the water service, all of which are supposed to pay for themselves, rather than through the tax rate.

Out of the tax rates during the last 16 years, City Auditor Carven informed prospective purchasers of city bonds, Boston has built \$40,000,000 worth of school houses without bond issues.

Auditor Carven said that "Boston's records show that in the last 26 years, with one exception in 1928, the total expenses of the city and county have not exceeded the total appropriations. The one exception required a transfer of only \$26,453 from surplus revenue to poor relief."

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BOSTON ELKS' CAR STARTS ON GOOD WILL TOUR TO BIRMINGHAM, ALA, CONVENTION



MAYOR CURLEY STARTING JOSEPH DOWNING OFF AT CITY HALL IN HIS STUDEBAKER PRESIDENT EIGHT BOUND FOR THE ELKS' CONVENTION IN ALABAMA

Left to Right—Treas Fred N. La Pierre and Vice Pres G. M. Sullivan, Studebaker Sales Co; Mayor Curley, J. H. Hamilton. In Car—Joseph Downing at wheel. Standing, Left to Right—Trustee T. J. McManus, District Deputy Leo F. Donovan, Exalted Ruler Joseph A. Crossen, Boston Lodge of Elks.

The Boston Elks' car left Boston yesterday on a good will tour to the annual Elks' convention in Alabama, July 16, piloted by Joseph Downing. A big crowd gathered around City Hall when the car parked on School st, shortly before noon, to await letters

from Mayor Curley, who sent greetings to the Mayor of Birmingham and the exalted ruler of the Elks Lodge in that city.

The car, a Studebaker President Eight convertible sedan, attracted much attention because of its beautiful

white and blue colors with the Elks emblem and the lettering telling the object of the trip.

It was the first time Boston has been chosen as the starting point for one of these trips. Another car will leave Seattle and a third Chicago.

SONS OF ITALY HERE GIVE 25TH ANNIVERSARY BALL

The feature of the 25th anniversary ball of the Independent Order Sons of Italy, Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, held last evening at Hotel Bradford, was a concert by the orchestra of Maestro Giovanni Pompeo, assisted by the chorus of the Boston Grand Opera Company.

Many guests attended, among them Commendatore Pio Margotti, Louis Borrasso, representing Mayor Curley, and Representative Leo M. Birmingham, representing Gov Ely.

Dr Vincent J. Pollina, grand venerable of the order, was in general charge of the affair. E. Corrado Giunta was master of ceremonies. Members of the executive committee were Umberto Candido, Angelo Izzillo, Genaro Palumbo and Leonardo Candela. Other committee members included:

Prof Salvatore Florenza, Ignazio Pesce, Andrea Giorgio, Prof Giovanni Pompeo, Clemente Fiorillo, Michele Santamaria, Achille Izzillo, Giulio E. Amorosi, Rocco Ferrara, Giuseppe Carbone, Gaetano Russo.

SURVEYING FOR 100-FOOT EAST APPROACH TO TUNNEL

A study of the possibility of building a wide 100-foot boulevard on the east end of the new East Boston vehicular tunnel is being made by the State Department of Public Works. Mayor Curley has already petitioned for such a roadway, and the department engineers have been surveying East Boston with a view to selecting the best route to connect the tunnel with the North Shore Drive. Plans for the new road tentatively call for an expenditure of \$1,000,000.

One route would result in a road 100 feet wide and three miles long, between Boardman st, East Boston, and the Revere Beach Parkway. Whether this, or some other route, will be chosen remains to be decided. The new road would bring Revere Beach appreciably nearer Boston.

CITY DEPARTMENT CHANGES EXPECTED

Ex-Rep. P. J. Sullivan to Be Named Registrar by Mayor

Several long predicted changes among municipal department heads, with the certainty that at least one vacancy will be created by resignation, are expected to be joined with the announcement of the appointment of Ex-Representative Patrick J. "Packy" Sullivan of Roxbury as city registrar.

The post has been held by James J. Mulvey, who was transferred from the election commission, and he is reported to be headed for another post in order to make a position available for Sullivan.

Sullivan has been identified with the Tammany Club in Roxbury for a number of years and has been particularly active in support of Mayor Curley's decisions in the two recent political contests.

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APPROVE \$40,000,000 TRANSIT PROPOSITIONS

Bowdoin Sq-Huntington Av Tunnel and Davis Sq,
Somerville-Union Sq, Brighton, Line

The Metropolitan District Transit Commissioners today went on record as approving two rapid transit propositions which will cost in the neighborhood of \$40,000,000 and which, if approved by the Legislature, would put at least 5000 men to work for three or four years and would mean a saving of about 25 percent in the cost of public welfare.

The first proposition calls for a route from Bowdoin sq, under Park and Stuart sts and also part of Huntington av, to a point about the junction of Huntington av and South Huntington av.

The second proposition would be for a route starting at or beyond Davis sq, Somerville, to Lechmere sq, over the present viaduct and tracks from Lechmere to Boylston-st subway and then via the subway to Commonwealth av and under Brighton av to a point at or beyond Union sq, Brighton.

The first route would cost at least \$18,000,000, according to Col Thomas Sullivan, chairman of the Boston Transit Commission, and the two jobs, within six months of the time started, would give employment to at least 5000 men for between three and four years.

According to Mayor Curley, at least 25 percent of the cost would be a saving of money which ordinarily would be paid out in public welfare.

At the meeting today the proponents of the tunnel project and construction program obtained 26 votes, the necessary two-thirds of the total 39 votes. Mayor Curley cast the 21 votes for Boston. Representatives of other localities voting in favor of the projects, thereby giving the necessary votes to pass the commission, were from Arlington, Medford, Revere and Somerville. Representatives from Brookline, Cambridge, Everett and Newton voted against the projects. Representatives from Belmont, Chelsea, Malden and Watertown were not recorded.

Mayor O'Neil of Everett, in voting against the measures, announced that those opposed to them would have the right to oppose them when they come before the Legislature.

A delegation of Legionnaires called at the office of Mayor Curley while the meeting was being held and, with others, went on record in favor of the removal of the Elevated structure in Charlestown and the substitution of a tunnel. This matter was turned down at a meeting of the commission a week ago.

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Curley Asks Boost in Income Taxes to Aid Jobless

An increase of 25 per cent in the present income tax laws, from 1½ to nearly 2 per cent on personal incomes, was advocated by Mayor Curley today to finance a statewide construction program for relief of unemployment.

Before 75 mayors and chairmen of boards of selectmen, he outlined his plan at a Parker House luncheon.

"An increase such as this would be sufficient to cover the cost of a \$20,000,000 construction program and would work no hardship on the Commonwealth or the cities and towns," he said.

"There can be no valid reason

for objecting to this proposition, although valid reasons can be raised against taxes on amusement and cigarettes.

"It is the only way to preserve the sanity and safety of the people this coming winter. It would relieve small home owners from their fears of losing their homes through increase in real estate taxation."

Mayor Patrick J. Duane, who recently conducted scholarly criticism of Mayor Curley during the primary campaign, rose at the conclusion of the meeting to place his approval on the plan.

"It is the sanest plan I have heard yet," said the Waltham mayor.

FOR MUNICIPAL AID STATE BODY

Committee to Report Bill
Favoring Recess Board

The Legislative Committee on Municipal Finance, with Representative Edward J. Kelley of Worcester dissenting, has voted to report a bill based on Gov Ely's recommendations for the creation of a State commission empowered to assist, during the recess of the Legislature, municipalities confronted with financial troubles.

The bill provides for a commission to consist of the Director of the State Division of Accounts and two persons to be appointed by the Governor. Municipalities in financial difficulties could by vote of the Mayor and City Council, or of town meeting, apply to the Governor for assistance. Their request, the bill stipulates, would be considered by the commission.

A further provision would enable 500 citizens of a community, majority of the City Council, or 10 percent of the voters of towns under 10,000 populations to apply to the Supreme Court for assistance. If the court deemed that assistance should be granted the new board would then be called in to function.

The commission, the bill provides would be empowered to appoint collectors of taxes, members of the Board of Assessors and members of the Public Welfare Department and to remove such officials. The commission is authorized to obtain loans for the use of distressed municipalities through the presentation of a State guarantee certificate, to be used by the State Treasurer.

STATE INCOME TAX BOOST PLAN

Curley Proposal to Raise
Money for Relief

Mayor Curley would increase the State income tax as a means of raising a \$20,000,000 loan to be distributed to cities and towns for poor relief work. The Mayor outlined his plan at a meeting today of the Mayor's Club of Massachusetts, attended by 80 Mayors and Selectmen at the Parker House.

Gov Ely was expected later at the meeting for a discussion of the Mayor's plan.

Mayor Curley proposed that the club forward the plan to the Legislature for action before it prorogues. This plan appears along the line of a policy Gov Roosevelt put through the New York State Legislature last year and this year.

\$40,000,000 Rapid Transit Extensions Approved

One Line Would Connect Bowdoin Square and Brookline Village, the Other Davis Square, Somerville, and Brighton, Via North Station

Proposals for two rapid transit extensions, involving an outlay of \$40,000,000, were approved today by the metropolitan transit council, through

the votes of Boston, Arlington, Medford, Revere and Somerville.

BATTLE NOT ENDED

Despite the vote of approval, political observers and others predicted vigorous opposition to the measure through various channels.

One route extension is from Bowdoin square, under Park street, under Stuart street, under Huntington avenue to the junction of Huntington and South Huntington avenues. Route 2 extension would start at or beyond Davis square, Somerville, and run to Lechmere square, Cambridge, follow the Lechmere square route over the viaduct to North station, into the Boylston street subway, out Commonwealth avenue and Brighton avenue, to a point at or beyond Union square, Brighton.

Mayor Curley, at the meeting of the transit council, advocated the transit extensions to provide employment for ex-service men, and succeeded in getting the two-thirds vote necessary for approval. The transit council is composed of the mayors and chairmen of selectmen of cities or towns served by the Elevated.

A bill will be introduced in the Legislature next week asking authorization for the Boston transit commission to do the work by day labor, with preference to ex-service men. Mayor O'Neill of Everett served notice that the favorable vote did not deprive opponents of the right to attack the plan at the State House.

Brookline, Cambridge, Everett and Newton voted against the extensions while Belmont, Chelsea, Malden, Milton and Watertown were not interested enough to send representatives. Should the Legislature approve, the measure will need the approval of the El trustees and stockholders.

CURLEY FOR 25 P.C. INCOME TAX JUMP

Would Use It to Finance Relief Loan

At the regular meeting of the Mayors' Club of Massachusetts today, Mayor Curley proposed a 25 per cent. increase in the state income tax for a period of five years to amortize a \$20,000,000 state loan to be distributed among cities and towns to offset the increased cost of public welfare and soldiers' relief for the present year.

He declared it to be imperative that the terrific burden of municipal costs be lifted from real estate owners, who, he fears, will be unable to pay their tax bills resulting from a prohibitive tax rate in most communities.

He predicted that in October, November and December of this year the public welfare demands of Boston will run between \$1,500,000 and \$2,000,000 a month, and offered his proposal on the assumption that Gov. Ely's tax program will not be accepted.

Pending the arrival of the Governor, who had promised to attend the meeting and discuss the financial condition of cities in the commonwealth, no action was taken on the mayor's proposal.

Mayors Bates of Salem, McGrath of Quincy and O'Neill of Everett all urged that no action be taken to interfere with the Governor's program, at least until its fate is determined.

MAYOR CURLEY

To the Editor of the Post:

Sir—Having been the recipient of criticism, both public and private, I can by means of this public letter sympathize with Mayor Curley under the abuse heaped upon him for these many years. Of course, this "abuse" has, by some, been labelled "criticism," but a rose by any other name will still be a rose.

I do not believe that any friend, or even the Mayor himself, is above criticism. Nor do I suggest that he is 100 per cent perfect, since, after all, he is only human. I do claim, however, having served under four mayors as elected representative of the people, that while we may have had as able men in the office of Mayor, yet none has equalled or surpassed our present chief executive in any phase of municipal government. By his initiative and genius, the many improvements that stand as monuments to his administration, the record of "Jim Curley" will ever loom large upon the political, cultural and civic history of Boston. Nor am I forgetting that we have had as mayors such men as Nathan Matthews, Edwin U. Curtis, Josiah Quincy, Thomas N. Hart, Patrick A. Collins, George A. Hibbard, John F. Fitzgerald and Andrew J. Peters.

Without detracting at all from any of these I must say that more progress has been registered in the public mind of the entire world, more emphasis placed upon the glories and traditions that have made Boston great, under the several administrations of Mayor Curley than any other.

The writer has disagreed with him in the past and may differ in opinions with him in the future. Our differences have been and will ever be honest differences. I shall always respect him for having an opinion of his own and daring to express it. I believe he feels the same toward me.

In conclusion, permit me to call to public attention the fact that Boston, by Mayor Curley's wise and sagacious administration, stands at the head of cities with unimpaired financial credit. In these times of distress and depression such a record, of itself, is an achievement par excellent.

JAMES A. (JERRY) WATSON.
693 Metropolitan avenue, Hyde Park.

Curley Wins Vote for Big Transit Jobs

**Secures Metropolitan Transit
Council's Commitment to
\$40,000,000 Plans**

**Will Appeal at Once
for Legislative Action**

**War Veterans Urged to Start
Active Propaganda in
Behalf of Scheme**

By Forrest P. Hull

Dominating today's special session of the Metropolitan District Council, at City Hall, Mayor Curley secured the necessary two-thirds vote in favor for an appeal to the Legislature for emergency authority to proceed immediately with the construction of the so-called rapid transit Routes 1 and 2, which were recommended by the trustees of the district in their report to the Legislature in March of last year and which are estimated to cost \$40,000,000.

A week ago at a similar session, the mayor could command but twenty-five votes, as Mayor John J. Murphy, an ardent advocate of the legislation to provide for the employment of veterans of the war, was absent. Today, Mayor Murphy cast the twenty-sixth vote, which gave the necessary two-thirds. Boston,

through its mayor cast twenty-one votes; Arlington, through Chairman Houser of the Board of Selectmen, one vote; Medford, through Mayor Burke, one vote; Revere, through John A. D. Pesa, as proxy, one vote, and Somerville, through Mayor Murphy, two votes.

In opposition were Brookline, through Daniel A. Rollins, two votes; Cambridge, represented by Charles F. Gadsby, as proxy, three votes; Everett, represented by Mayor Michael C. O'Neill, one vote; and Newton, represented by Joseph W. Bartlett, town counsel, as proxy, two votes.

Absent were the representatives of Belmont, Chelsea, Malden, Milton and Watertown, commanding five votes.

War Veterans Demand Action

The session was in many respects a duplicate of that of last week in the matter of approach to the stupendous relief measure, but it has the added piquetness at the close of an avalanche of sentiment in favor of some big project to relieve unemployment when Representative Robert L. Lee of Charlestown, led into the mayoral chamber a group of more than one hundred war veterans to demand action by the Metropolitan Transit Council in carrying out what he called the manifest behest of the Legislature of last year in voting to request an opinion of the feasibility of removing the elevated structure from Charlestown.

Representative Lee addressed the mayor and his associates following the announcement of the vote in favor of the two great transit projects, saying that he and his group believed that the immediate thing to do was to act in Charlestown, thus furnishing work for a great number of the unemployed. The mayor replied that at the meeting a week ago the council recorded itself as opposed to such a proceeding at this time and filed its opposition at the office of the clerk of the Senate, together with four sets of blueprints to indicate alternately how the work could be done, if it were to be done to the future.

The reason for the absence of representatives of five communities at today's meeting may be accounted for, not because of lack of interest in so momentous a decision, but from the fact that each of the towns in the minority group realized that the cards were stacked against them. It could have been foreseen that Mayor Curley, who has the projects close to his heart, would be able to hold the votes represented at last week's meeting and secure the one remaining necessary vote by Mayor Murphy's certain appearance.

Hint at Modification

The only hint at a possible modification of the probable decision in favor of going through with Routes 1 and 2, in their entirety, came from Colonel Thomas F. Sullivan, chairman of the Boston Transit Commission, who suggested that the council might confine its emergency recommendation to a portion of Route No. 1, which would embrace a beginning at Park street, tunnelling thence to Huntington avenue, coming to the surface in front of the Boston Opera House. This first lap in the Huntington avenue plan could be blue-printed in three months and the cost would be about \$8,500,000.

But it was "whole hog or none" with the mayor and his voting majority associates, who argued that the necessities of the unemployment situation were so severe that only the greatest possible measure of relief should be called to the attention of the Legislature at this time. It was noticed that Mayor Curley and Mayor Murphy did most of the talking, each detailing gloomy pictures of relief demands and predicting still more distress in the winter months unless heroic measures were taken.

Then, at the end of the session when the Charlestown legislator and his large group of veterans had been called in, Mayor Curley told what the two projects would mean to them and their friends in the matter of work and asked each of them to consider himself a committee of one to bring all possible pressure to bear on the legislators of their respective districts. He did not wish to paint the prospects in too bright colors or inspire undue hope in their hearts, but reminded them that only by concerted action of high-pressure variety would success be possible. He said each route would give employment to at least 3000 men for three or four years.

Description of the Routes

Route No. 1, in the official delineation, starts at or near the junction of South Huntington and Huntington avenues and follows the general line of Huntington avenue to Stuart street, thence proceeds along Stuart street to Columbus avenue and under the Common to a new station to be constructed near the present Park street station, thence under Beacon Hill to a connection with the East Boston tunnel at Bowdoin square, thence via the present East Boston tunnel to Maverick square, and thence by new construction to a terminal at or near Day square, East Boston, with provision for a future connection with the Boston, Revere

Beach & Lynn Railroad. Route No. 2, as recommended, should begin in the Brighton section of the city west of Harvard avenue and in general follow the line of Commonwealth avenue to Kenmore square, thence via the present Boylston street and Tremont street subways to a point in Canal street near the North Station, thence via the present elevated structure to Lechmere square, and thence by new construction along the general line of the Boston & Maine Railroad through Winter Hill and Davis square to a terminal in North Cambridge or Arlington.

At the conclusion of the City Hall meeting, Mayor Curley and the other mayors present went to the Parker House for a monthly luncheon of the Massachusetts Mayors' Club, where Mr. Curley detailed at length the two routes and the wisdom of going to work on them at once in order to get something worth while out of relief money which each community must furnish to those in need.

6000 VETERANS TO GET JOBS, SAYS MAYOR

If the Legislature acts favorably on the measure, 6000 more war veterans will have jobs by September in two projects involving \$40,000,000, Mayor Curley told a delegation of 75 American Legionnaires and Veterans of Foreign Wars at City Hall today.

The statement was made in the mayor's office after the veterans had assembled on the lawn, giving rise to a report that Communists were demanding to see Curley.

TWO BIG PROJECTS

When the three policemen assigned to City Hall learned the mission of the veterans they were asked to go to the mayor's office. The mayor, seated on the corner of a desk, told them of the projects which had been voted by the Metropolitan Transit Commission even while the veterans were assembling downstairs.

One project would extend the Boylston st. subway in a branch from Arlington station under Huntington ave. to Brookline Village.

The other would extend the subway from Governor sq. to Union sq. Brighton, with another extension of the rapid transit from Lechmere sq. to Davis sq. Somerville.

The veterans' visit was arranged by Representative Robert Lee of Charlestown.

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ELY'S PLAN ENDORSED BY MAYORS

Taxes on Cigarettes, Beverages, Amuse- ments Given O. K.

Bitterness of the recent presidential primary campaign was forgotten yesterday when Governor Ely and Mayor Curley clasped hands over the Parker House dining table in the presence of 80 Mayors and Selectmen of Massachusetts cities and towns, who had assembled on the Mayor's invitation to consider the question of finding funds for the poor and jobless through new taxation.

After more than three hours of vigorous debate, the group finally endorsed the Governor's so-called luxury or nuisance tax on cigarettes, bottled beverages and admission tickets, with the provision that the State by bond issue or otherwise raise the money this year to meet the increased demands for public welfare, soldiers' relief and old age pensions, estimated at \$13,000,000 above the figures for last year.

The money would be turned over to the cities and towns to save them from prohibitive tax rates, particularly on real estate, and the State would later redeem the bond issue through the receipts from the luxury tax.

The session likewise brought into harmony Mayor Curley and Mayor Patrick J. Duane of Waltham, as the latter forgot his Gaelic campaign pronouncements to voice his approval of Boston's chief executive.

In a spirit of agreement, Mayor Curley postponed his recommendation for an increase of 25 per cent in the present income tax rate as a means of raising the funds for poor and unemployment relief, after the Governor had promised that the Legislature would speedily enact his proposed nuisance tax bill if the Mayors and Selectmen would endorse it.

Ely Doubtful About Income Tax

Speaking on the Mayor's proposed boost in the income tax, the Governor stated that he would approve it, provided the Legislature would pass it, but he expressed grave doubts that the present Legislature would increase the income tax. He thought there was a better chance for the nuisance tax to pass the Legislature, and appealed to the city and town executives to get behind it.

As for the \$20,000,000 bond issue recommended by Mayor Curley for a period of five years, the Governor said that the one objection was that the Legislature would probably not allow

more than four years for the amortization of the bonds.

So the group endorsed the Governor's bill, leaving him and the Legislature to decide the length of the term of the bond issue, but urging that sufficient funds be provided immediately for the cities and towns to meet the increased needs for relief.

The group, on motion of Mayor Curley, voted to adjourn subject to the call of the chair in the event that the Legislature should defeat the tobacco-software drink-theatre tax, at which time the Mayor would resurrect his demands for an income tax jump to supply the funds. The Mayor's 25 per cent increase would raise the rate on personal income from 1½ to 1¾ per cent, and the rate on intangibles from 6 to 7½ per cent.

Big Problem for Cities

Amazing figures regarding the problems facing the cities of the Commonwealth were presented by Mayor George J. Bates of Salem, who compiled statistics of the 39 cities showing that they will have to expend an amount estimated at \$24,029,573 in public welfare and unemployment relief payments this year, as compared with only \$2,400,000 in 1921. This, he pointed out, was in spite of the fact that the population had increased only 7 per cent, and the cost of living had dropped 32 per cent in that period.

When Governor Ely entered the banquet room, Mayor Carriere of Fitchburg was in the midst of an attack upon the Governor's proposed State Finance Commission to aid cities and towns which may need financial assistance.

Referring to the protest, the Governor stated that the municipal authorities or 100 residents would have to make the request for the State help before the commission would step into action.

Governor Explains Position

"I don't want the Legislature to adjourn leaving the State no authority to aid cities and leaving me with no alternative but to call a special session to save the suffering people. I don't want to see the people suffer," explained the Governor, "and I don't want to be required to call a special session of the Legislature, for reasons that you readily understand," smiled the Governor. "In view of conditions, it would be a mistake for the Legislature to adjourn without giving the Governor some authority to assist the cities if it becomes necessary."

The Governor praised the Mayors of the State for cutting their budgets to an extent that "far exceeded anything done in the past," but despite these efforts and all that has been done, he said, the tremendous increase in the requirements for public welfare relief would place a prohibitive burden upon the real estate in the Commonwealth unless some other means were provided to raise the funds.

He explained that a sales tax was unconstitutional in Massachusetts, that there was little chance for an increase in the income tax.

A call upon Republicans to support Governor Ely was sounded by Mayor Homer C. Bliss of Northampton, who, as a Republican, criticized the action of the Legislature in opposing, side-tracking and pigeon-holing the Chief Executive's measures. "In times like this, Republicans as well as Democrats should stand behind the Governor," the Northampton Mayor stated.

Would Spend \$40,000,000

Rapid Transit Improvements to Employ 6000 Men, Urged at Transit District Council

Jobs will be provided for 6000 men for the next three or four years it was claimed if the legislature passes a bill sponsored yesterday by the Metropolitan Transit District Council, calling for the construction of additional rapid transit facilities for Greater Boston at a cost of \$40,000,000.

By a vote of 26 to 8, the Mayors and Selectmen of the cities and towns served by the Elevated approved the construction of an \$18,000,000 tunnel from South Huntington and Huntington avenues, Jamaica Plain, to the Bowdoin square station of the present East Boston Tunnel.

They also urged the legislation authorizing the expenditure of \$22,000,000 for a rapid transit line from Union square, Brighton, to Arlington. Starting at Union square this tunnel would be carried under Brighton and Commonwealth avenues to Kenmore square, there connect with the Boylston street subway to Park street, then over the Tremont street subway tracks to Lechmere square, and finally along the B. & M. right of way to Davis square, Somerville and Arlington.

Approval was given the proposed legislation at the office of Mayor Curley yesterday at City Hall at the meeting of the Metropolitan Transit Council. Voting in favor of the bill were Boston's Mayor with 21 votes; Mayor John H. Burke of Medford with one vote, Mayor John J. Murphy of Somerville with two votes, Chairman Houser of the Arlington selectmen with one vote, and John A. di Pesa, representing Revere, with one vote.

Opposition to the construction programme was recorded by Mayor O'Neill of Everett, who reserved the right to oppose the two projects before the Legislature. Votes against the measure were also cast by representatives of Brookline, Newton and Cambridge.

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increase in the income tax, and is obliged to approve the bill."

Pointing out that the "nuisance" taxes would yield \$6,000,000 a year, the Governor asked: "Is it better to use that amount for immediate distribution to the cities and towns or to finance an extended bond issue?"

"One objection to a bond issue is that it is doubtful if the Legislature would extend it over a three or four-year period and the revenue is tied up and its source is exhausted this year although you may need it next year."

"I'm not passing final judgment upon a bond issue, while it may be possible to obtain favorable action by the Legislature upon the pending measure, there is grave danger that a division of advocacy will make it increasingly difficult for the Legislature to decide upon any definite form of taxation."

Mayor Curley moved immediate indorsement of the Ely plan. He scrapped his income tax increase plan with the understanding that he would readvocate it if the luxury tax measure failed of passage. The mayor suggested approval of a bond issue of \$20,000,000 maturing in five years to be amortized by the revenue over such a period from the luxury taxes.

Mayor Bates of Salem, who offered a table showing that the expenditures of more than \$24,000,000 by cities this year for welfare, soldiers' relief and old age assistance, are nearly \$10,000,000 greater than last year, objected to the bond issue because it would give the Legislature an invitation to reject the Governor's program. Mayor Quigley joined with him. Mayor Duane of Waltham stood with Curley.

The Curley proposal failed by a margin of two votes, but Mayor McGrath of Quincy offered a motion indorsing the "Governor's so-called luxury tax and to provide by bond issue or otherwise in sufficient amount the increased age assistance and soldiers' benefits."

Mayor Quigley shot several verbal darts at Mayor Curley which brought no rejoinder until Curley finally declared that Gov. Ely had not expressed opposition to a bond issue, as Quigley had asserted, and termed the Chelsea mayor "one of the Governor's spokesmen" who should be standing with him. The McGrath motion prevailed after a futile attempt by Bates and Quigley to eliminate reference to any bond issue.

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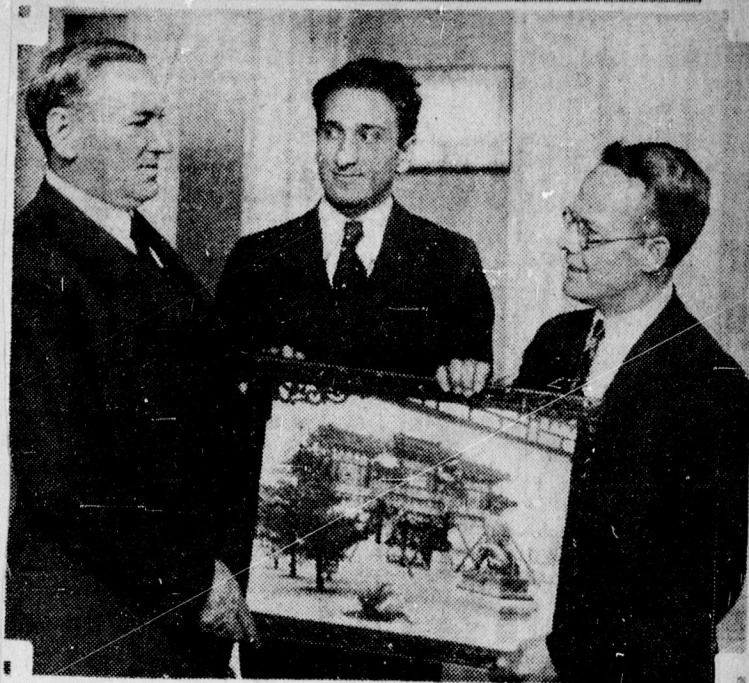
New Police Boat Goes Elsewhere

It took little time today to settle the fate of the new \$250,000 police boat Stephen O'Meara. Decision having been made some time ago that the craft was unfitted for the extreme demands that would be made upon it, at least without serious overhauling, it was today assigned to the two departments in charge of the Deer Island House of Correction and the Long Island almshouse and hospital. To replace the O'Meara the city will purchase for approximately \$35,000 one of the coast patrol boats which can be spared, and which Louis McDonough, marine engineer of the fire department, believes will well serve the harbor police division. The solution of the problem was worked out today at a City Hall conference attended by the mayor, Police Commissioner Eugene C. Hultman, Institutions Commissioner James E. Maguire and Penal Institutions Commissioner William G. O'Hare.

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NOTABLES VISIT CITY HALL

PROF. JOHN H. LEVIS



MAYOR CURLEY

PROF. HERBERT WHITE

Prof. Herbert White, official photographer to the Chinese national government, and Prof. John Hazedel Levis, international authority on Chinese music, were presented to Mayor Curley at City Hall today by Dr. Tehyi Hsieh of the Chinese Trade Bureau of Boston. The visitors are soon to return to China, but early in the fall they will come to Massachusetts for a series of lectures.

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TOWNS WILL FIGHT \$40,000,000 BILL

Transit Council Approves Extension Plans

Legislative authorization of an expenditure of \$40,000,000 for rapid transit extensions, approved yesterday by the Metropolitan Transit council, will be bitterly opposed by a majority of the municipalities dependent on the Boston Elevated for transportation service in the metropolitan area.

Scant hope of the acceptance by the Legislature of the bill which will be presented under the sponsorship of the council, next week, is entertained by its supporters, but prospects of providing long employment to more than 5000 ex-service men are regarded as a factor which may exert favorable effect at the State House.

The proposed extensions, recommend-

ed nearly two years ago by the Metropolitan transit district trustees, are intended to provide uninterrupted service between Union square, Brighton and Davis square, Somerville, and between South Huntington and Huntington avenues and the Bowdoin square terminus of the East Boston tunnel route.

Mayor Curley, who commands 21 of the 39 votes in the transit council in which the mayors of cities and the chairmen of selectmen hold membership, succeeded yesterday in attracting the support of Somerville, Medford, Revere and Arlington, thereby furnishing the 26 votes necessary to the approval of any measure.

Brookline, Newton, Everett and Cambridge voted against the plan and expect to be joined in the renewal of the opposition before legislative committees by Belmont, Chelsea, Malden, Milton and Watertown, which were unrepresented at yesterday's meeting.

Because of the "tortuous route" which the plan must follow, Mayor Curley warned a group of 150 ex-service men who crowded into his office at the conclusion of the council meeting, that they should not be too hopeful that opportunities for employment await them.

GOVERNOR HEARS MAYOR'S VIEWS



At Mayors' Club luncheon. Left to right—Mayor Curley, Corporation Counsel Samuel Silverman, Charles W. Eldridge, president of Mayors' Club, and Gov. Ely.

LED BY CURLEY, MAYORS BACK ELY TAX PLAN

Governor Explains 'Nuisance' Levies to Municipal Executives

BOSTON ABANDONS INCOME PROPOSAL

Bond Issue Favored to Finance Public Welfare Budgets

The largest meeting of mayors and selectmen ever held under auspices of the Mayors' Club yesterday indorsed Gov. Ely's plan for a tax on amusements, cigarettes and beverages, intended to relieve real estate owners of the increasing burden of poor relief.

Mayor Curley himself supported the plan strongly and met the Governor at the meeting on terms of apparent cordiality.

In supporting the luxury plan tax, Curley abandoned his own proposal of a 25 per cent. increase in income tax assessments. He made his backing of

the Governor clear, however, when he chided Mayor Quigley of Chelsea for opposing the luxury tax, which was favored by a majority of the 100 executives present.

INVITED BY CURLEY

Gov. Ely accepted the mayor's invitation to address the meeting at the Parker House and left a luncheon with the executive council at the Parker House to explain his luxury tax plan before the municipal heads.

The Governor and mayor shook hands, exchanged a few words, and appeared entirely at ease as they met. A protracted conversation followed. Neither gave an obvious indication of rancor because of the personalities which were injected into campaign speeches prior to the recent primary.

The impression which the Governor's frank discussion of the municipal tax situation made on the gathering was reflected by the rapidity with which Mayor Curley dropped his income tax boost plan and urged his associates to stand solidly behind the Governor's proposal now under consideration by the Legislature.

Subsequently when Mayor Quigley was bitterly opposing a record vote favoring a bond issue which would make available many millions for distribution to municipalities this year, Curley termed him "the Governor's spokesman" and chided him for disagreeing with Ely.

Quigley denied that he was entitled to the characterization with the reply, "We're both in the same boat."

The Governor announced that if his luxury taxes are rejected and an income tax assessment increase is voted, he will reluctantly approve such a measure because of appreciation of the

financial predicament of real estate owners throughout the commonwealth.

At his entrance, Mayor Carriere of Fitchburg was denouncing the draft of a bill by a legislative committee which he asserted intended to set up a commission to supervise the administration of government of cities in financial difficulties. Listening to a part of Carriere's remarks, the Governor said:

"As I have been told verbally, the draft of this bill sets up a commission with general power to back up municipal notes. I hadn't supposed that there was any necessity of backing up municipal bonds. The bill, as I understand it, provides that if cities fail to pay on time, and after the lapse of a certain time, the state will make payment and the money will be charged against any credits the city has with the state. I understand, too, that there is a section of the bill which provides that a request for a commission to act can be made by vote of a city government, a board of selectmen or by petition of 100 taxpayers.

NO ALTERNATIVE

"Seriously, I do not want the Legislature to adjourn leaving the state without authority to aid cities and leaving me with no alternative than to let cities suffer or call a special session of the Legislature. I don't want to see any city suffer and I don't want to call the Legislature in special session for reasons you will clearly understand."

He continued that most cities have been able to meet financial obligations, but some, notably the textile communities, where industries depreciated before the depression became serious, have been unable to meet the new conditions super-imposed upon them.

"I would deem it a mistake of the Legislature to adjourn without leaving the Governor with some authority, which I can assure you, will be conscientiously exercised."

Speaking of his tax program which he termed "nuisance taxes" he said: "They may not be perfect, but in an emergency we should not be squeamish or finicky.

"Increases in welfare costs falls entirely, except for the gasoline tax, upon real estate. This increasing burden falls upon real estate when ability to respond has been very seriously crippled by the industrial depression."

BUDGETS REDUCED

Municipal budgets, he added, have been reduced so substantially that executives are entitled to commendation and while the reductions have established a new record, they have been insufficient to lift the burden borne by real estate.

Suggestion of an income tax increase, he said, would probably arouse even more opposition than has been registered against the proposed "nuisance" taxes. "Any moderate increase in the income tax would not yield sufficient revenue to meet needs. And it would tend to dry up the source of productive capital. There are two objections. There seems to be no possibility that the Legislature would pass such a bill and if it were made substantial enough it would be a handicap to the revival of business.

"Increased welfare costs have resulted in an increased burden upon real estate. The earning power of real estate has been decreased and taxes have become an increased responsibility which has been turned over to the banks. There are far reaching results which threaten the stability of the banks of Massachusetts."

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AUTHORITIES ON CHINESE ART PRESENTED TO MAYOR CURLEY



WITH PICTURE OF CHINESE TEMPLE
Left to Right—Mayor Curley, Prof Herbert White, photographer, and Prof John H. Levis, interpreter of Chinese music.

Prof John Hazedel Levis, interpreter of Chinese music and a composer, who appeared yesterday at the Teachers' College, and Prof Herbert White, official photographer of the President of China, were presented to Mayor Curley at City Hall today by Dr Tehyi Hsieh of the Chinese Trade Bureau. Winton D. Bee accompanied them. Prof White displayed to Mayor Cur-

ley a score of pictures of temples and buildings of China. Prof Levis, who was born in China, has a marvelous collection of Chinese musical instruments and music. After a day or two in Boston he will return to China, but will be back in this country next Fall.

In the Fall the two authorities on Chinese art will lecture in the educational institutions of New England and other parts of the United States.

FAVORS \$40,000,000 FOR RAPID TRANSIT

Two Projects Approved by District Commissioners

Two rapid transit propositions which would cost approximately \$40,000,000 and would keep at least 5000 men employed for three or four years were approved yesterday by the Metropolitan District Transit Commissioners. The two matters would have to be approved by the Legislature to become official.

The first calls for a route from Bowdoin sq under Park and Stuart sts and also part of Huntington av to a point about at the junction of Huntington av

would be for a route starting at or beyond Davis sq, Somerville, to Lechmere sq, over the present viaduct and tracks from Lechmere to Boylston st subway and then via the subway to Commonwealth av and under Brighton av to a point at or beyond Union sq, Brighton.

The first route would cost at least \$18,000,000, according to Col Thomas F. Sullivan, chairman of the Boston Transit Commission, and the two jobs, within six months of the time started, would employ 5000 men. Mayor Curley said at least 25 percent of the cost would be a saving of money which ordinarily would be paid out in public welfare.

The necessary 26 votes, two-thirds of the total of 39 votes, were obtained through Mayor Curley casting 26 votes for Boston, and the favorable votes of Arlington, Medford, Revere and Somerville. Cambridge, Brookline, Everett and Newton voted against the projects. Representatives from Belmont, Chelsea, Malden and Watertown were not counted.

OFFICIALS WELCOME MAYO GAELIC TEAM

Visitors Go to State House and the City Hall

By GEORGE M. COLLINS

The Mayo Gaelic football champion of Ireland, who are in Boston for their game with the Massachusetts select team Sunday at Dilboy Field, Somerville, are having the time of their lives, according to their spokesman Tom Brawders.

The visiting Irish players and officials were greeted by Gov Ely at the State House at 11 yesterday morning.

The players went to City Hall, where Mayor Curley, Mayor Murphy of Somerville and Mayor O'Neill, Everett, awaited them, and extended the greetings of the three cities.

Mayor Curley presented Capt Mike Mulderrig an autographed photograph of himself and expressed the wish that the boys would have a very successful and entertaining trip while in this country.

In the afternoon the team went out to Dilboy Field for another practice and several of the players found the turf much to their liking.

Today will be one of the red letter days for the Connaught visitors. They will have another session with the football and do some short-distance running under the watchful eyes of the trainer.

After their practice session the boys will do some sightseeing and then return to the Hotel Bradford for the big dinner to be given them at 7:30 by the Mayo Men's Association of Massachusetts.

Among the guests will be the three Mayors who greeted the team, and Representative Dwyer of New York, sponsor of the tour, will also be on hand to speak his little story.

Friday at 1 the Mayo team will be given a luncheon at Hotel Westminster by Mayor Curley.

The Massachusetts select team which meets the crack Mayo team Sunday has been putting in some hard licks at Smith Field, North Brighton and last night Pres John J. Kelly of the Gaelic Athletic Association of Massachusetts had all the players out going through their paces.

The lineup of the Massachusetts team has not been announced. Con Glavin of the Cork team is the likely choice for goal. Then Hogan, Higgins, Clancy, Dalton, Joe Walsh and M. Breen are available for the back field positions while the center field and wing men will be chosen from the three Sullivans, Cooney brothers, J. Clifford, J. Wilson, J. Quirke, J. Begley, M. Cooney and J. D'Arcy.

Mayors Back Ely's Luxury Tax Plan

Curley Abandons His Income Tax Increase and Loses Bond Issue Plan

To the surprise of the eighty mayors and chairman of boards of selectmen attending Mayor Curley's Parker House luncheon yesterday, the mayor himself switched from his pet idea of a 25 per cent increase in the income tax assessments to meet unemployment conditions throughout the State and led the discussion for Governor Ely's luxury tax plan which won the hearty support of the gathering.

The mayor and the governor met in the closely occupied room for the first time since the presidential primary on terms of outward cordiality. They shook hands and conversed like old friends. Governor Ely accepted the mayor's invitation to address the meeting, and so frank and outspoken was his argument that the mayor urged the gathering to cease consideration of his own plan and support the governor's.

When the governor entered the room, Mayor Carriere of Fitchburg was denouncing the draft of a bill by a legislative committee which, he asserted, intended to set up a commission to supervise the administration of government of cities in financial difficulties. The governor replied that the draft sets up a commission with general power to back up municipal notes and he had not supposed there was any necessity of backing up municipal bonds.

"Seriously, I do not want the Legislature to adjourn," said the governor, "leaving the State without authority to aid cities and leaving me with no alternative than to let cities suffer or call a special session of the Legislature. I don't want

to see any city suffer and I don't want to call the Legislature in special session for reasons you will clearly understand."

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A sales tax, the governor said, would be unconstitutional but an excise tax upon certain commodities is within the State laws.

"But," he continued, "if the Legislature sees fit to enact any substantial increase in the income tax, I'd feel obliged to approve the bill."

Pointing out that the "nuisance" taxes would yield \$6,000,000 a year, the governor asked: "Is it better to use that amount for immediate distribution to the cities and towns or to finance an extended bond issue?"

"One objection to a bond issue is that it is doubtful if the Legislature would extend it over a three or four-year period and the revenue is tied up and its source is exhausted this year although you may need it next year."

"I'm not passing final judgment upon a bond issue. While it may be possible to obtain favorable action by the Legislature upon the pending measure, there is grave danger that a division of advocacy will make it increasingly difficult for the Legislature to decide upon any definite form of taxation."

Mayor Curley moved immediate indorsement of the Ely plan. He scrapped his income tax increase plan with the understanding that he would readvocate it if the luxury tax measure failed of passage. The mayor suggested approval of a bond issue of \$20,000,000 maturing in five years to be amortized by the revenue over such a period from the luxury taxes.

Mayor Bates of Salem objected to the bond issue because it would give the Legislature an invitation to reject the governor's program. Mayor Quigley joined with him. Mayor Duane of Waltham stood with Curley.

The Curley proposal failed by a margin of two votes, but Mayor McGrath of Quincy offered a motion indorsing the "governor's so-called luxury tax and to provide by bond issue or otherwise in sufficient amount the increased age assistance and soldiers' benefits."

Mayor Quigley shot several verbal darts at Mayor Curley which brought no rejoinder until Curley finally declared that Governor Ely had not expressed opposition to a bond issue, as Quigley had asserted, and termed the Chelsea mayor "one of the governor's spokesmen" who should be standing with him. The McGrath motion prevailed after a futile attempt by Bates and Quigley to eliminate reference to any bond issue.

\$10,000,000 BOSTON STREET LOAN BILL INTRODUCED

A bill authorizing the city of Boston to borrow, within two years, \$10,000,000 for the purpose of "repairing, maintaining and reconstructing accepted streets," as a means of relieving unemployment, was filed yesterday with the clerk of the House of Representatives by Representative Joseph A. Logan of the Hyde Park-Dorchester district.

Laborers employed under the Logan program would work five days a week only and would be paid at the rate of \$5 per day.



'We Want Work!'

Workers in the Kenmore sq. tunnel project, laid off last week, called on Mayor James M. Curley, yesterday, at City Hall Plaza, to demand their jobs back. His Honor, holding his famous black derby in hand is shown as he talked with the men on the steps of the hall.

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MAYORS BACK ELY'S NUISANCE TAX PLAN

Want Revenue Used For Relief Loan—Governor and Curley Shake Hands



AFTER MAYOR CURLEY AND GOV ELY SHOOK HANDS
Left to Right—Mayor Curley, Ex-Mayor Charles W. Eldridge of Somerville
and Gov Ely, at Mayors' Conference in Parker House yesterday.

Eighty Mayors and Selectmen of Bay State cities and towns, who assembled on Mayor James M. Curley's invitation at the Parker House yesterday afternoon, recorded themselves unanimously in favor of Gov Ely's pending so-called nuisance tax program, likewise endorsing the proposal that the revenue these taxes may bring should be used to float a bond issue of sufficient size to cover increased expenditures by cities and towns for the relief of destitute families, for old age assistance, and for soldiers' relief.

Almost single-handed against vigorous opposition, Mr Curley furnished the driving power by which this emergency meeting was brought to accord on one concrete proposition. Mr Curley won adoption for his idea of memorializing the Legislature on the nuisance taxes after he had withdrawn his earlier proposal of a 25 percent increase in the State income tax as a means of helping the cities and towns face staggering burdens next Winter in providing the three forms of relief mentioned.

In the course of their three-hour wrestle to decide their common course of action to meet the crucial Winter ahead, Gov Ely, after lunching in an

adjoining chamber with his Executive Council, joined the Mayors and Selectmen and gave them his counsel upon their problem.

As the Governor entered the room he and Mayor Curley cordially shook hands, and then Mr Curley repeated his plan for increasing the State income tax, a measure which Gov Roosevelt has made effective in New York through two years. When the Governor, in his own 20-minute address, reached the topic of this Curley proposal, he said:

Urges Them to Back Plan

"In view of the distance we already have gone with our proposal to put excise taxes on theatre admissions, soft drinks and tobacco, I suggest that you might support my plan.

"It I transmit my program of these excise taxes, I am afraid that if the proposal of an increase in the income tax were made to the Legislature from other sources at the same time, the Legislature would fall between the two proposals, and we would get nothing done.

"So I urge you officials to put your shoulder to the wheel. Hopeless as our proposal appeared at the outset, it is being looked upon with increasing favor. If we should have the impetus of the Mayors and Selectmen behind

our measure, we could dispose of the whole thing pretty quickly.

"I speak with no disrespect for any other plan of meeting this emergency that may be proposed. But we have gone so far with are plan and the prospects for our plan are now so promising, I think it would be a good deal better to proceed with it. There is time enough to consider some other form of taxation, if our plan should not succeed.

"When the idea of boosting the income tax was first broached a year ago, some thought the State House would be blown up. You would find

just as vigorous opposition to this proposal as that which may be directed at the proposed nuisance taxes.

"The chances of getting any substantial increases in the income tax are probably small. If the increase was sufficiently large to meet your needs, I think it would be rejected as too much of a handicap to business. And I fear that any income tax increase might dry up whatever available sources there are in capital with which to start up industry again."

Curley Withdraws Motion

Mr Curley then withdrew his motion pertaining to income tax increase. The Governor took his leave. And then commenced a nearly two-hour discussion as to the form the meeting's indorsement of the Ely program should take. Mayors G. J. Bates of Salem and L. J. Quigley of Chelsea opposed the Curley idea that the resolution should propose to the Legislature that the revenue from the proposed nuisance taxes be applied to raising a \$20,000,000 loan, this loan to be amortized at the end of five years by the revenue from the nuisance taxes, to be kept in effect until the loan was repaid.

The Bay State's cities and towns are spending approximately \$24,000,000 this year in payments to destitute individuals and families, Mayor Bates estimated. In 1921, the total disbursements by all cities and towns on this account was but \$2,400,000, he said—and added that in the intervening decade, there has been only a 7 percent increase in the State's population, and that the cost of living has in this time decreased 32 percent.

Imminent as is such a bond issue. Bates felt that the Legislature would automatically authorize it, without pointed reminder in the resolution. whereas Mr Curley argued that the situation was so pressing that such a fine point upon fact would be valueless. And Mr Curley won the day, against Mayors Bates, Quigley, et al.

Curley Doubts Plan Will Pass

But in his earlier remarks about his increased income tax proposal, Mr Curley said, without qualification, that he thought Gov Ely's nuisance-tax suggestion "hasn't a chance in the world to live." If this proves a good guess, then the Mayor would soon have to convoke another meeting like yesterday's, to deal with the situation, and he broadly hinted this possibility at the meeting's close. Undoubtedly he would then revive his idea about raising the income tax.

Under this plan, now effective in New York, a person who pays a \$16 income tax would, with a 25 percent increase, pay a tax of \$20—the extra \$4 to go to the fund to be pro-rated to cities and towns.

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Curley Asks Police to Stop New City Graft

Learns Business Men Solicited to Send Special Train of Friends to Chicago

Scores of business men and contractors doing business with the city of Boston have been asked in the last few days to contribute to a general fund for the purpose of engaging a special train to convey the mayor's friends to the Chicago National Democratic Convention, and the mayor, exhibiting a high degree of anger, today called this "racket" to the attention of the Better Business Bureau, the Chamber of Commerce and the police department.

Though the mayor has been unable to trace the plot to its source and thus hail the instigators before him, he suspects that it originated, perhaps from motives of highest friendship, in the ranks of a certain group of city employees.

That the scheme has been pressed under cover of deep secrecy and with the intention of completing the solicitation without a word being conveyed to the mayor, is clearly evident. Contractors, who in the past have given generously of their earnings to one political, friendly or charitable movement after another, have been asked, it is said, to keep the plan from the mayor until all negotiations could be closed.

Mayor Curley intends to make the trip to Chicago, but his friends have doubted whether he would take advantage of the opportunity to join any particular group now being organized. His journey has been planned, it is understood, in company with only a few of his intimate friends. Hotel reservations have already been made.

In discussing the special train "racket" today the mayor said:

"I found it necessary recently, in order to defeat the purpose of professional 'chisellers' to inform two members of the fire department, promoted from captain to district chief, that their positions were due to their Civil Service standing, and in the event that I found they paid anyone to obtain their promotions, they would be removed from the service.

"My attention has been directed, within the past seventy-two hours, to the fact that another group of professional 'chisellers' are soliciting firms, corporations and individuals, doing business with the city of Boston, to defray the expenses of a special train to convey friends of mine to the Democratic National Convention. I have directed the attention of the Better Business Bureau, the Chamber of Commerce and the police departments to the operations of this group.

"I desire, at this time, to emphatically state that the work in question is both unautochized and unlawful, and that, in my opinion, the time has arrived to end a custom that should not be permitted in the community."

SMALL, SPEEDY POLICE BOATS

Hultman and Curley Agree on New Plan

Small, fast boats, built along the lines of submarine-chasers, will be used by Police Commissioner Eugene C. Hultman and his naval force in the future to protect the waterfront. That was decided yesterday by the police head in conference with Mayor Curley.

At the end of their conference, the Mayor agreed to give the police department a \$30,000 Eagle boat in return for the \$250,000 police boat Stephen J. O'Meara, which, in its first year of harbor sleuthing was reported to be too big and too slow for effective work around the docks.

The inside deal will save the city a couple of hundred thousand dollars which would have been necessary to build a new boat to transport patients, prisoners, doctors, guards, officials and supplies to the Long Island Hospital and the Deer Island House of Correction.

SPEEDWAY TO L STREET BATH

Mayor Lets Contract for Surfacing Highway

Downtown motorists seeking a plunge in the cooling waters of the Atlantic this summer will be provided with a broad, smooth and direct traffic artery, from the South Station to the L street bathing beach.

Mayor Curley yesterday ordered the surfacing of the last strip of the new roadway with sheet asphalt at a cost of \$19,199.10. The job went to John Iozza Company, who put in the lowest bid and agreed to hire a corps of workmen in order to finish the contract before July 15, when the rush to the bathhouse will be on in full swing.

LIBRARY WILL BE ON COMMON

Mayor to Establish One at Bandstand

It's an old Spanish custom, but Boston will be probably the first municipality here to establish an open-air library near the Parkman bandstand on the Common, so that residents may rest and read during the hot summer days in the shade of the historic elm trees.

During his trip to Europe last year, the Mayor learned that Spain provided open-air libraries in its parks and recreation spots, so he decided to try the system out here. Not only will books, magazines and pamphlets be placed at the disposal of the visitors to the Common, but radio concerts will be broadcast through the Parkman bandstand amplifiers from 11 o'clock in the morning until 4 in the afternoon.

BRAVES-RED SOX WELFARE GAME

Judge Emil E. Fuchs, president of the Boston Braves, following a conference with Mayor James M. Curley, announced the Braves and Red Sox would play an exhibition game at Braves field, June 29, for the benefit of the city of Boston welfare fund.

In addition to the game, there will be a series of athletic events, in which the members of both clubs will compete for fungo-hitting, circling the bases, long-distance throwing and throwing for accuracy.

Mayor Curley presented Judge Fuchs with a deluxe edition of the tercentenary of Boston with the following statement: "I am confident it will be during this ball game that it will be announced that Franklin D. Roosevelt has been nominated for President."

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MAYOR SEEKS CUT IN HYDE PARK GAS

Silverman Appears in Plea
For Lower Rates

Mayor Curley yesterday entered the fight to lower the \$1.40 gas rate in Hyde Park when Samuel Silverman, corporation counsel of Boston, appeared in his behalf before the state department of public utilities.

Silverman declared that the New England Gas and Electric Association, which controls the Dedham & Hyde Park Gas & Electric Company through stock holdings, could reduce the rate if it desired to do so. The original objection was raised by legislators and representatives of civic bodies in the districts affected.

Isaac T. Haddock of Cambridge, a vice-president of the Dedham & Hyde Park company, denied Silverman's contention that the rates could be reduced. When Robert G. Dodge, counsel for the company, objected to several of Silverman's questions, the latter said he was merely trying to find out "how they are getting the pie."

Silverman maintained that the Dedham & Hyde Park Company is now paying 70 cents a thousand cubic feet for gas secured from the Worcester Gas Light Company, when it could be obtained by the New England company at a lower rate.

Henry C. Attwill, chairman of the public utilities department, felt that the only way a reduction could be affected would be through the sale of the Dedham & Hyde Park mains to the Boston Consolidated Gas Company. The latter concern, he said, charges a \$1 rate.

Representatives Joseph A. Logan and Patrick J. Welsh, both of Hyde Park, who started the proceedings, also spoke for a reduction of the rate.

The company will present its case at a hearing for which no date has yet been set.

COMMON TO HAVE OUTDOOR LIBRARY

Mayor Plans One at Parkman Bandstand for the Unemployed

The Parkman bandstand on Boston Common, surrounded by benches providing seating accommodations for 4000 persons, was suggested as a location for an outdoor branch library for the unemployed by Mayor Curley yesterday. Daily band concerts from 11 A. M. to 4 P. M. would be played there under the mayor's plan.

The mayor's proposal to convert the bandstand section of the Common into a rendezvous for the unemployed was made at a conference with Park Commissioner Long. The mayor subsequently appealed for books and magazines which may be sent to the park department at 33 Beacon street, he announced.

HITS GROUP ASKING CURLEY TRAIN FUND

Mayor Characterizes Men as
"Professional Chiselers"

A group which has been soliciting concerns doing business with the city of Boston for contributions to defray the expenses of a special train bearing Mayor Curley's friends to the Democratic convention at Chicago, was outlawed by Mayor Curley today.

Characterizing the men as "professional chiselers" the mayor declared they were acting not only without authority, but unlawfully, and that he had informed the police and the Boston Better Business bureau.

The mayor declared it was time to end the practice.

He pointed out that he was in no way referring to the special trainload of Roosevelt supporters who will go to Chicago. James A. "Jerry" Watson is making arrangements for that trip, and those going are paying their own expenses.

CITY POLICE BOAT ON NEW SERVICE

Will Ply to Deer and Long
Islands in Lieu of Hibbard

The much-discussed \$250,000 police boat Stephen O'Meara will henceforth ply between Eastern wharf, Deer island and Long island and will be replaced by a patrol boat which Mayor Curley was assured yesterday could be obtained from the coast guard for not more than \$35,000.

The expensive police boat, which is far too big for the needs of the harbor patrol, will replace the steamer George A. Hibbard and will be operated on a regular schedule. It is considered an ideal boat for municipal service and an immediate survey will determine the extent of the repairs necessary to convert it into a freight and passenger-carrying boat.

Mayor Curley discussed the matter yesterday with Police Commissioner Hultman, Institutions Commissioner Maguire and Penal Institutions Commissioner O'Hare and it was agreed that it would be an excellent replacement for the Hibbard. Commissioner Hultman expressed a desire to get rid of the boat and Commissioners Maguire and O'Hare were willing to accept it, obviating the need of a new boat for which the city council has not evidenced any disposition to appropriate \$300,000.

"CHISELLERS" AT WORK, SAYS MAYOR

Sounds Warning About
Trip to Convention

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"I desire, at this time," said Mayor Curley, "to state emphatically that the work in question is both unauthorized and unlawful, and that, in my opinion, the time has arrived to end a custom that should not be permitted in the community."

Former Councilor James A. Watson announced that the statement of the Mayor did not apply to the party he is arranging for the Chicago convention, for members of his party will pay their own way, and contributions are not being solicited.

BRAVES-RED SOX CHARITY GAME

To Be Played June 29 for
Unemployment Fund

Mayor Curley was visited today by Judge Emil Fuchs, president of the Boston National Baseball League Club, who tendered the Mayor in behalf of the Braves and the Red Sox, an invitation to have the city of Boston accept the proceeds of a baseball game between these teams June 29, for the benefit of the unemployment fund.

In addition to the game there will be other athletic attractions. It is anticipated by Mayor Curley that \$50,000 will be realized through this contest.

Mayor Curley, in consideration of this offer by Judge Fuchs, presented him with the original de luxe copy of the tercentenary proceedings which were held in Boston during the year 1930.

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PLAN SOX-BRAVES GAME



MAYOR CURLEY

JUDGE FUCHS

Mayor Curley, presenting to Judge Emil Fuchs, president of the Boston Braves, a de luxe edition of the history of Boston. The presentation was made during Fuchs' visit to City Hall, at which a game between the Braves and Red Sox on June 29 for the benefit of the unemployed was arranged. (Staff photo.)

MAYORS PLEAD FOR PASSAGE OF LUXURY TAXES

Mayor Curley and former Mayor Charles W. Eldridge of Somerville, president of the Mayors' Club of Massachusetts, joined today in an effort to obtain favorable legislative action on Governor Ely's recommendation for a luxury tax.

"I sincerely trust you will find it possible to support the recommendation of the Governor with reference to the luxury tax and adoption of such bond issue as may be necessary to meet the extraordinary situation which at present obtains," Mayor Curley wrote to every Boston legislator.

With the letter was enclosed a lengthy communication from President Eldridge in which he also urged, in behalf of the entire membership of the organization, that the law makers act favorably on the bill.

Former Mayor Eldridge presented figures showing that estimated expenditures for relief work in 39 Massachusetts cities for this year will approximate \$24,000,000, \$13,000,000 more than the amount expended in 1931.

He urged favorable action on the bill in order that no citizen of Massachusetts may suffer loss of life through preventable starvation.

MAYOR APPROVES WATER MAIN PLAN FOR ELM HILL

To provide better domestic service and also to insure sufficient service in case of a conflagration, Mayor Curley yesterday authorized Public Works Commissioner Rourke to proceed with plans for reinforcing the water service of the Elm Hill section of Roxbury and of the entire Dorchester District.

Plans call for construction of a 48-inch main to connect with the Metropolitan District Commission's 48-inch main at the Arborway and Pond st and extending from this point a main of three miles, terminating at the existing 36-inch high service main at Geneva av and Columbia road, Dorchester.

In addition to the balance on hand

in the water division, the department will require a loan of approximately \$400,000 outside of the debt limit. The proposition will go before the City Council for approval.

WASHINGTON-ST PARKING AT NIGHT IS PERMANENT

A rule to make evening parking on the right-hand or east side of Washington st, from Broadway to Milk st, a permanent arrangement was passed yesterday at the regular meeting of the Boston Traffic Commission.

The rule is in effect from 6 p m to 1 a m. It was originally adopted several months ago as an experiment. Chairman Conry and Associate Commissioners Joseph A. Rourke and

Theodore A. Glynn attended the meeting. W. Stanley Parker, designer of the traffic circle at Charles and Cambridge sts, appeared to make suggestions for the handling of traffic there. Commissioner Rourke and Assistant Traffic Engineer T. Joseph O'Connor will make a study of the situation with Mr Parker.

Because of the demolition of old buildings on Franklin st, between Congress and Pearl sts, parking will be forbidden in that section for 60 days, the commission voted.

CITY URGES CUT IN HYDE PARK UTILITY RATES

Corporation Counsel Silverman, representing Mayor Curley, appeared yesterday before the Public Utilities Commission and assailed the methods of the New England Gas and Electric Association, which, through stock holdings, controls the Dedham & Hyde Park Gas and Electric Company, whose consumers are seeking a reduction in rates.

I. T. Haddock, vice president of the local company, said there were three vice presidents, the other two living in New York. He was asked

if he knew them and he replied that he knew one of them. The corporation counsel sought to learn how the vice presidents were compensated and was told they were paid by the parent company. Mr Haddock said he did not know what work for the local company his two associate vice presidents did other than they would be available for service in the event he became indisposed.

Robert G. Dodge, counsel for the company, objected to this line of questioning, but Mr Silverman said he wanted to find out "how they are getting the pie." He insisted that the parent association could bring about

a reduction in rates, which could be made up from profits accruing to the parent company from more prosperous concerns owned by it. The company will present its case at a hearing later.

Outdoor Libraries

Mayor Curley's proposal for an outdoor library on the Common is an interesting one, and quite commendable if it is to be supposed that it would be practicable under our New England climate. In establishing such libraries, "backward" Spain has successfully preceded us; the Transcript's columns have described such libraries as they are maintained in the public parks of Seville and Valladolid. In that land of abundant sunshine, where during months at a time the sun shines every day, the charming little book centers, under the shade of trees and surrounded by seats made of decorated tiles, are a successful feature. Some of these Spanish park libraries are general in character, and some are devoted to the books of a single national author. All are well patronized, and the literary and other property in them is respected strictly. At least one such library, that at Valladolid, has a children's department, where quiet bands of children from the streets regale and inspire their adolescent minds with beautiful and interesting illustrated books, and early learn to manifest an interest in the rich poetry and romance of their nation; where some of them, too, until now denied ordinary educational advantages, actually learn to read.

Thousands of people betake themselves to Boston Common to rest and often to read newspapers. If they had access there to books of interest and useful quality, a great proportion of them would undoubtedly and profitably avail themselves of the opportunity. No objection to such a scheme is apparent except the climatic one. Perhaps that objection might be forestalled by prudent arrangements. We are behind the Spanish civilization in age and in the favor of sun and sky, but is there any reason why we should be behind it in aspiration, in resource, or in respectful conduct? Boston has led the country in intellectual and educational resource in the past, and might profitably lead it in such an institution as park libraries. With, of course, the invention and application of practicable methods of management and protection.

JERRY WATSON LAUDS CURLEY

To the Editor of the Transcript:

Having been the recipient of criticism, both public and private, I can sympathize with our mayor, James M. Curley, under the abuse heaped upon him for these many years. Of course, this "abuse" was, by some, been labelled "criticism," but a rose by any other name will still be a rose.

I do not believe that any friend, or even the mayor himself, is above criticism. Nor do I suggest that he is one hundred per cent perfect, since after all, he is only human. I do claim, however, having served under four mayors as the elected representative of the people, that while we may have had as able men in the office of the mayor yet none has equalled or surpassed our present chief executive in any phase of municipal government. By his initiative and genius, the many improvements that stand as monuments to his administration, the record of "Jim Curley" will ever loom large upon the political, cultural and civic history of Boston. Nor am I forgetting that we have had as mayors such men as Nathan Matthews, Edwin U. Curtis, Josiah Quincy, Thomas N. Hart, Patrick A. Collins, George A. Hibbard, John F. Fitzgerald and Andrew J. Peters.

Without detracting at all from any of these I must say that more progress has been registered in the public mind of the entire world, more emphasis placed upon the glories and traditions that have made Boston great, under the several administrations of James M. Curley than any other. Boston has not in many years past had as mayor a man of such vision, heart and courage in the face of unfair opposition and personal afflictions as has been evidenced by the present mayor.

The writer has disagreed with him in the past and may differ in opinions with him in the future. Our differences have been and will ever be honest differences. I shall always respect him for having an opinion of his own and daring to express

JAMES A. (JERRY) WATSON

Hyde Park, May 18.

Contractor Soars Sky-High on a Bid

If one of the leading city contractors had added a note to his latest bid on a city job that he was merely joking, the result would not have appeared so ludicrous and his figure would not have appeared on the city records for all time. But he was apparently as serious with his \$244,913.75 proposal for grading and surfacing the rather tiny Webster avenue playground in the North End as was the lowest bidder, A. G. Tomasello & Son, Inc., at \$3410. But in the words of the Public Works Department official, "What can be said of even another contractor who sought the job for \$19,112.50, when not one of the nine other concerns asked as high as \$5000?"

The sky-high bid was just another of those unaccountable mistakes in the ordinary run of business. The figure was misplaced, some other job being in hand at the same time. But there will be many a merry laugh for the contractor when he makes his next appearance at City Hall.

SINGLE WELFARE HEAD

To the Editor of the Post:

Sir—I am wondering whether you would be interested in publishing the actual facts behind the recent proposal of Mayor Curley to substitute in the Public Welfare Department of the city a single commissioner for the present Board of Overseers. In Tuesdays "Mail Bag" column of your paper I was interested to read an anonymous communication in which the inference was drawn that the defeat by the Legislature of the bill authorizing such a change was in effect a boon and a benefit to the taxpayers of the city. Anyone familiar with the real reasons behind the Legislature's action knows that such an inference is not only erroneous but directly opposite to the true facts in the case.

The bill as proposed had one main aim and purpose, namely, to fix responsibility for the conduct and administration of the affairs of the Public Welfare Department. As at present constituted, this department is under the control of a board of overseers consisting of 12 members who receive no compensation for their services. Working under the board as the executive officer of the department is the secretary, who receives a salary. Nominally the secretary receives from the board, or from the different sub-committees into which the board is organized, the authority for his various executive actions. Actually, however, the secretary is obliged to make many decisions independent of the board for the reason that being unpaid, it is not to be expected the members will be in constant attendance upon their duties. Under such a system it is extremely difficult to determine just where the responsibility of the board ends and that of the secretary begins.

In view of the thousands of cases being aided and the vast amounts of money being disbursed, it is essential and desirable that the policies of the department be determined and regulated by one individual who could be held directly responsible for the manner in which his policies and decisions were worked out. The replacement of the present unpaid board with a single commissioner would not result in an increased tax burden on the property owners of the city for the reason that through a fixed and constant policy being administered by a responsible head, savings could undoubtedly be effected in an amount far greater than the additional payroll expense involved in the change.

This is not an idle dream, but is based on the actual experience of the city, where it has been found that with certain rare and isolated exceptions departments administered by unpaid boards do not measure in efficiency and economy with those presided over by a single responsible official.

The belief of the anonymous contributor to the columns of your "Mail Bag" that the legislators who voted against the passage of the bill were actuated solely by a desire to save the taxpayers money may easily be refuted by reference to the debate in the Legislature which preceded the defeat of the bill.

STANDISH WILCOX.

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CURLEY ASKS SUPPORT FOR ELY TAX PROGRAM

Mayor Curley today appealed to all the Boston members of the Legislature to support Gov Ely's luxury tax for the purpose of raising sufficient funds for the relief of the poor and unemployed.

The Mayor's appeal included minutes of the last meeting of the Mayor's Club.

"I beg to submit herewith," he said, "the minutes of a joint meeting of the Mayors of cities and chairmen of Boards of Selectmen of the towns of Massachusetts, held at the Parker House, Boston, Wednesday, May 18, for the purpose of considering ways and means through which aid might be provided to the cities and towns for the conduct of the activities of Public Welfare Departments, Soldiers' Relief work and old age assistance, all of which, as a consequence of present industrial depression, are many times in excess of former years."

"Figures were presented which showed that estimated expenditures for this year for the 39 cities, exclusive of towns, will be approximately \$24,000,000, whereas in the year 1921 the total expenditures were approximately \$2,400,000."

"At this meeting it was estimated the increased demands for public welfare, soldiers' relief and old-age assistance throughout the State would be \$13,000,000 above the figures of last year."

"Various speakers clearly indicated that unless immediate relief was received from the Legislature taxpayers would find themselves unable to meet the burdens placed upon them by the tremendous appropriations for relief. Cities and towns without assistance from the State will be obliged to raise by taxation this year the full amounts that will be appropriated for relief during the year."

Added Financial Problem

"Under the tax rates for last year many taxpayers have found it impossible to meet their obligations, and with the added burden of greatly increased appropriations for this year a much larger number of taxpayers will find it impossible to meet their tax obligations. The result will be that cities and towns will have an added financial problem due to the non-receipt of these taxes."

"Many of the speakers were of the opinion demands for relief would continue to increase throughout the Summer, and that the relief necessary during the Winter months might be 50 percent in excess of that found necessary during last Winter."

"His Excellency the Governor addressed the meeting and stated that assistance to the cities and towns of the State was absolutely imperative. With a view to obtaining additional revenue that might meet in a small part the burden placed upon cities and towns, the Governor stated that he recommended to the Legislature the adoption of the so-called luxury taxes."

"He appreciated that aid to the cities and towns far in excess of the product of such a tax would be necessary if any relief whatsoever was to be afforded to the overburdened taxpayer."

"After listening to the Governor and giving consideration to his recommendation, it was unanimously voted by the Mayors and Selectmen to indorse the recommendation of the Governor for a luxury tax, and further, to recommend that provision be made by the

State through bond issue or otherwise in sufficient amount to meet the extraordinary expenditures of the cities and towns for public welfare relief, old age assistance and soldiers' relief.

Revenue at Least \$3,000,000

"It was generally recognized that the tax upon luxuries would not be effective until July 1 of this year and the revenue for the balance of the year was estimated to be upwards of \$3,000,000."

"Fear was expressed that this revenue would not be available in time to be reflected in the tax rates of this year, and the consensus of opinion was that the serious situation confronting the cities and towns both as to continued relief and oppressive taxation could be met immediately only through a bond issue that would be available to the cities and towns for the reduction of their tax levies."

"It was further voted that the Mayor of each city and the chairman of each Board of Selectmen be requested to confer at once with the representatives in the General Court from their respective cities and towns with a view to securing their cooperation and votes upon this most important measure of legislation."

"Therefore, in conformity with the vote taken, I appeal to you as a member of the General Court, interested in the public weal, to vote in favor of the luxury tax as recommended by His Excellency the Governor and for such bond issue as may be necessary to provide the required relief, so that no citizen of Massachusetts may suffer the loss of life through preventable starvation."

PLANS CONCERTS FOR JOBLESS ON COMMON

Mayor James M. Curley, in a measure, is attempting to meet one of the problems that faced the United States authorities after the armistice in 1918—to take men's minds off their troubles. In the case of the Government it concerned men far from home and family, but the Mayor's problem concerns the unemployed. Through the Welfare and Soldiers Relief Departments he is attempting to care for creature comforts, but the day is long to one out of work.

On the Common is the Parkman Bandstand, equipped for radio and with loud speakers. There are accommodations for the seating of some 4000 persons available in the vicinity of the bandstand and the Mayor plans to utilize the facilities. At a conference yesterday with Chairman Long of the Park Department Mayor Curley arranged for a radio pickup at the bandstand of concerts starting at 11 a m and continuing to 4 p m for the benefit of the unemployed.

At the conference it was also arranged that the Library trustees establish an outdoor branch library at the bandstand for the benefit of men or women desiring a little mental recreation or relaxation during the present depression.

The public is invited to send to the Park Department, 33 Beacon st, such books or magazines as they no longer require for personal use, the same to be distributed at the outdoor branch library at the Parkman Bandstand.

EX-MAYOR NICHOLS E. BOSTON SPEAKER

"Suggestion of Closing the Navy Yard Absurd"

Hailed as the next Mayor of Boston, Ex-Mayor Malcolm E. Nichols, speaking at the annual banquet of the East Boston Board of Trade, in Meridian Hall, last night vigorously condemned as "positively most absurd" the suggestion that the Charlestown Navy Yard be closed, urged constructive thought and labor in every community throughout the country as a remedy for the quick dissipation of the present depression, and paid warm tribute to the leadership of the late United States Senator Henry Cabot Lodge.

"What is really needed in this country today," Ex-Mayor Nichols said "is the outstanding statesmanship so effectively exemplified by that great leader, Henry Cabot Lodge, whose knowledge and substantial grasp of national and international affairs set him in the forefront of American history."

Ex-Mayor Nichols made a plea for "home rule" in Boston, praised the development of the airport and East Boston vehicular tunnel, lauded the cleaning up of the East Boston waterfront of wrecks and, in closing, painted a bright picture of the future for that art of the city, which, he said, had all the natural advantages for development and progress.

Attorney Sam Segal, toastmaster, on introducing Ex-Mayor Nichols, praised him as an "able and democratic Mayor," and added, "meet the next Mayor of Boston." The former chief executive was given a rousing ovation and after his address was tendered an impromptu reception.

Chairman Peter F. Tague of the Election Commissioners, who represented Mayor Curley, warmly praised the sterling abilities and leadership of Mayor Curley, blamed the present depression on the selfish attitude of international bankers and roundly condemned the foisting of prohibition upon the country.

"I was in Congress when this bill was enacted," declared Mr Tague, ex-Congressman, and saw them carry men in to vote for the measure who were hopelessly drunk, and in some instances could not vote for themselves."

Other speakers were Representative Alexander Sullivan, Dr Joseph Lyons, former member of the Boston School Committee; Daniel J. O'Connell, president of the organization. All were warmly received. About 250 members and guests attended.

Arrangements were in the hands of Louis DeVito and Edward DiSimone.

With Gov Ely and Mayor Curley shaking hands on the Governor's tax proposals it becomes clear that the primary campaign was only an episode after all.

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Gov. Ely Guest of Curley at Tax Love Feast

Mayor Curley urged 75 Massachusetts mayors and selectmen to support Gov. Ely's drive for legislation of "nuisance taxes," at a luncheon yesterday, called to act on the mayor's plan for a bond issue to meet relief expenses. The governor attended the luncheon as the mayor's guest.

Appearance of the governor and mayor together, and the manner in which the mayor supported the governor's plea for co-operation in his "nuisance tax" plan, caused the arching of more than one political eyebrow.

Mayor Curley suggested a \$20,000,000 bond issue but the resolution as finally passed asked for a state bond issue with no figure specified. The bond issue, it was stated, would be sufficient to cover increasing costs of welfare work. The issue would be covered by a five-year levy of the nuisance tax.

A suggestion Mayor Curley had made that state income taxes be increased 25 per cent as one means of raising the necessary revenue, he withdrew when Gov. Ely urged raising of the fund by the special taxes he advocates.

ANDERSON SPEAKER

William L. Anderson, Sr., assistant secretary to Mayor Curley, and senior vice commander-in-chief of the Sons of Union Veterans, will be guest of honor and principal speaker at Memorial Day exercises at the soldiers monument in Beverly on May 30.

BARRASSO AIDS

Louis Barrasso, assistant secretary to Mayor Curley, and director of the Credit Union League of Massachusetts, is one of those arranging for the annual spring meeting of the members of that organization in Hotel Westminster tomorrow afternoon and evening.

PREDICTS SUCCESS

Thomas F. Murray, chairman of the committee arranging for the banquet to be held in Hotel Copley Plaza on June 14 in honor of Chairman Theodore A. Glynn of the municipal street commission stated today that more than 1000 friends of the popular Roxburyite will be in attendance at the affair.

MAYOR CURLEY WARNS AGAINST 'CHISELERS'

Warning that a group of professional "chiselers" are soliciting firms, corporations and individuals doing business with the city for funds to provide a special train to convey Mayor Curley's "friends" to the Democratic convention was sent police, directors of the Chamber of Commerce and Boston Better Business Bureau by the Mayor today.

This work is both unauthorized and unlawful and should not be permitted, the Mayor stated. His letter said:

"I found it necessary recently in order to defeat the purpose of professional chiselers to inform two members of the fire department, promoted from captain to district chief, that their positions were due to their civil service standing and in the event that I found they paid anyone to obtain their promotions they would be removed from the service.

"My attention has been directed within the past 72 hours to the fact that another group of professional chiselers are soliciting firms, corporations and individuals doing business with the City of Boston to defray the expenses of a special train to convey 'friends' of mine to the Democratic national convention.

"I have directed the attention of the Better Business Bureau, the Chamber of Commerce, and the police department to the operation of this group.

"I desire, at this time, to state emphatically that the work in question is both unauthorized and unlawful, and that, in my opinion, the time has arrived to end a custom that should not be permitted in this community."

HERALD 5/20/32

GOOD WORK ON THE HILL

The Legislature had some good deeds to its credit yesterday. It killed the Hull bridge bill. It disposed of the measure permitting the deficit-ridden Boston Elevated system to take over the limping Chelsea division of the Eastern Massachusetts. Best of all, it received from the committee on municipal finance, reported favorably, the bill placing the credit of the state behind cities and towns which may become unable to meet their obligations.

This last-named bill, on which we have commented several times, has been drawn with the utmost care. The best portion of it is the financing. This will make entirely unnecessary the inadvisable increase of 25 per cent. which Mayor Curley has proposed in the state income tax. That is already a too burdensome tax. It would be murderous if raised a quarter. And, incidentally, incomes in Massachusetts have fallen off so rapidly that as a revenue producer the mayor's remedy would be futile.

The Hull bridge was a foolish project for such a time as this. Even with its unconstitutional features of last year removed, it is indefensible.

As to the proposal to saddle the Chelsea division on the Boston Elevated, Eliot Wadsworth's arguments are unanswerable. It may justly be observed also that he has shown vigor, courage and a firm grasp of economic realities in fighting this proposal so strenuously. He was the main figure in the defeat of the bill Tuesday. His plea paved the way for the action yesterday. He has shown that quality which is usually described by a guttural and more or less vulgar monosyllable of four letters.

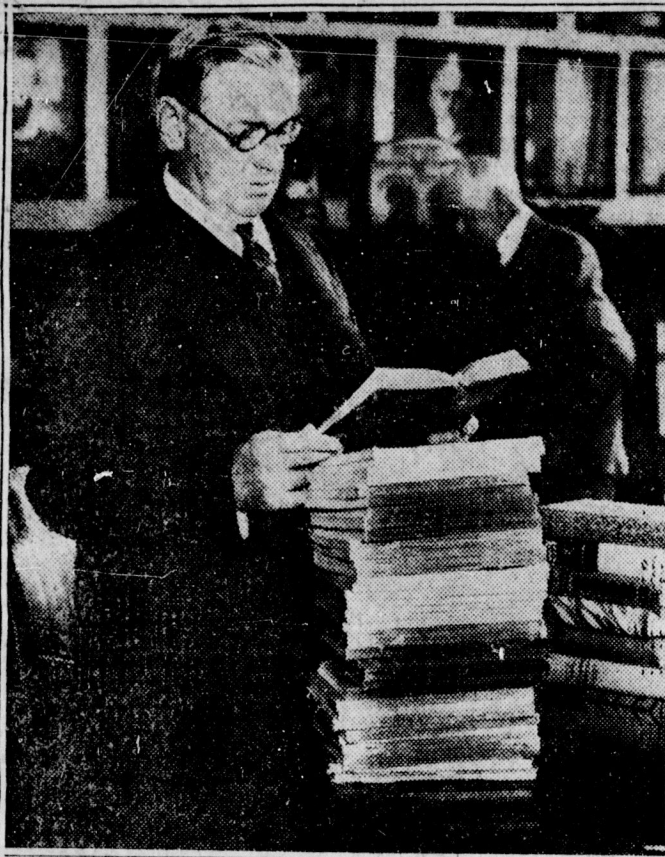
BRAVES, SOX TO AID JOBLESS

The Braves and Red Sox will clash at Braves Field on June 29 in a benefit game in aid of the unemployed of Boston.

Arrangements for the game were completed today at City Hall at a conference of Mayor Curley and Judge Emil Fuchs, president of the Braves. Entire proceeds of the game will go to the municipal unemployment fund. A number of other athletic attractions will also be arranged.

It is estimated that nearly \$50,000 will be realized from proceeds of the game. It is also expected that the Democratic nominee for the presidency will be chosen on that day and that announcement of his identity will be made during the game.

MAYOR BRINGS MAGAZINES AND BOOKS TO COMMON FOR LIBRARY



MAYOR CURLEY WITH BOOKS AND MAGAZINES FOR THE LIBRARY ON THE COMMON

Initial steps in getting the branch library on the Common started for the unemployed who gather there daily were taken by Mayor Curley yesterday, when he brought from his home at Jamaicaaway an assortment of magazines and books.

The library trustees will provide a man to care for the distribution and collection of magazines and books, which will be stored in the basement of the Parkman Bandstand on the Common. Public-spirited citizens are invited to contribute reading matter.

Mayor Gives First Books To Library on Common

The first contribution of books to the outdoor library at Parkman bandstand on Boston Common was made yesterday by Mayor Curley when he presented Park Commissioner Long with 10 books and 40 magazines he had gathered at his home.

The mayor earnestly expressed hope that other Bostonians would follow his example and send books and magazines to headquarters of the park department at 33 Beacon street.

All books contributed will be sent to the outdoor library for use of the unemployed who make the Common a rendezvous.

FIN COM REPORTS ON POLICE BOAT

Said Not to Criticize Present City Officials

The Boston Finance Commission yesterday sent to the City Council a report of its investigation of the controversy over the new police boat, Stephen O'Meara, which has been retired from the Police Department and is to replace the steamer, George A. Hibbard, in the service between Boston and Deer and Long Islands.

The report, which is in the custody of City Clerk Wilfred J. Doyle, will be read to the City Council at its meeting on Monday.

Police Commissioner Hultman has insisted since the trial trips of the O'Meara after she came from the yards of George T. Lawley Sons corporation that she is unfit for police work and that he could not even suggest any use to which the \$250,000 boat could be placed.

Charges have been flung at Mayor Curley and Commissioner Hultman in connection with the boat, but the Finance Commission's report declares that Ex-Police Commissioner Wilson was responsible for the O'Meara and that his negotiations for the building of the craft had the approval of Ex-Mayor Malcolm E. Nichols.

The Finance Commission report contains copies of all the correspondence which led up to the building of the O'Meara and men who have seen the report said last night that it does not criticize Mayor Curley or Commissioner Hultman.

CURLEY WARNS AGAINST GROUP OF "CHISELERS"

Mayor James M. Curley yesterday announced that he had directed the attention of the Better Business Bureau, the Chamber of Commerce and the Police Departments to the operations of a "group of professional chiselers who are soliciting firms, corporations and individuals doing business with the city of Boston to defray the expenses of a special train to convey friends of mine to the Democratic convention."

The Mayor stated emphatically that the work is both unauthorized and unlawful and that in his opinion the time has arrived to end a custom that should not be permitted in the community.

Why Widenings Instead of Tunnel

Present Plan Defended by
Chairman of the Transit
Commission

To the Editor of the Transcript:

In a letter signed by R. M. Bradley, which appeared in your issue of May 18, the suggestion is made that instead of expending three million dollars for the construction of widened street approaches to the East Boston Tunnel in the city proper the money could be more wisely devoted to the construction of a vehicular tunnel under the central area of Boston.

A careful reading of the letter indicates that aside from its inherent vagueness and obscurity it consists of mere assertion, and while significantly failing to present supporting proof glosses this over with the suggestion that the burden of proof lies elsewhere. Mr. Bradley's theory is by no means novel, as it has been advanced and considered many times in the past. Contrary to the implication contained in his statement that "the technical advice received has not been complete," the fact is that for a number of years the subject has been carefully investigated and studied by planning experts of outstanding reputation.

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In 1919 and 1920, by direction of the Legislature, a joint board consisting of the State Department of Public Works and the Boston Transit Commission made what is believed to be the first comprehensive origin and destination traffic count in any metropolitan city. This investigation was a part of the report recommending the construction of the traffic tunnel between the city proper and East Boston.

In 1924 the General Court provided for a special commission to investigate the laying out and construction of a new thoroughfare in the city of Boston and the extension and widening of certain streets in connection therewith. This special commission consisted of the chairman of the Metropolitan Planning Division, the Boston City Planning Board, the Boston Finance Commission, the Boston Transit Commission, and the Board of Street Commissioners. This commission made a report to the Legislature in 1925, which is contained in House Document 1100.

In 1925 Mr. Arthur C. Comey, professor at Harvard University School of City Planning, who served as consultant to the City Planning Board in the preparation of the zoning plan and act, and who in that capacity made many of the fundamental city and regional studies upon which street planning should be based, prepared a preliminary study for a major street plan for Boston, and was retained in an advisory capacity for later reports.

In 1930 the Boston City Planning Board published an exhaustive report on a comprehensive thoroughfare plan for Boston. This report was prepared under the immediate supervision of Mr. Robert Whitten of New York, city planning consultant and president of the American City Planning Institute, and covered a period of three years of intensive study. Among those contributing were Dr. Miller McClintock, director of the Erskine Bureau of Street Traffic Research and of the mayor's Street Traffic Survey; Mr. Arthur

A. Shurtleff, landscape architect and city planner, the Boston Traffic Commission, the Boston Street Commission, the Division of Metropolitan Planning, the Boston Transit Commission, the Civic Bureau of the Boston Chamber of Commerce, and members of the faculty of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

This report in recommending the construction of adequate approaches to the East Boston tunnel stated: "It is generally recognized that the central Boston portal of the tunnel must be somewhere in the North End. It is recognized also that to furnish an approach to the tunnel portal in this location it will be necessary to construct a new street from Haymarket square past the tunnel portal to Atlantic avenue or Fort Hill square. This will be necessary in order that traffic to and from all parts of central Boston may have definite access to the tunnel and so that traffic from the south, southwest and west can proceed to its destination without adding to the congestion of the central district."

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The construction of the East Boston traffic tunnel is not far from the completion stage. The importance of the project, involving an expenditure of \$16,000,000, cannot be overestimated. As the report states the tunnel "will correct a serious defect in the circulation system. It will mean a radical change in the present distribution and flow of traffic. The value of the tunnel, however, must necessarily be limited by the adequacy of its approaches. These approaches will be hopelessly inadequate without substantial changes and improvements. Assuming that the tunnel is a first essential in an improvement program, it is clear that the building of adequate approaches to the tunnel should go forward concurrently with the tunnel itself."

Mr. Bradley's reference to the attention which he asserts is being given to through vehicular tunnels in other cities is mystifying. New York, the only city in the world which has given serious thought to such projects, evolved a plan for a tri-borough vehicular tunnel, but has shelved the idea because it would entail the prohibitive expenditure of more than five hundred million dollars. While a similar tunnel in Boston would, of course, be on a much smaller scale, the necessary outlay would be so tremendous as to be beyond the pale of possible consideration within our time.

An expenditure of three million dollars for street widenings constituting part of a central artery and providing necessary approaches to the East Boston tunnel is scarcely comparable with the enormous expenditure which would be required for a through tunnel by-passing the entire business section of the city, which Mr. Bradley appears to advocate.

THOMAS F. SULLIVAN,

Chairman Boston Transit Commission.
Boston, May 20.

Channing Favors Ely "Nuisance Taxes"

Walter Channing, president of the Boston Real Estate Exchange, in a statement released today, supported the so-called "nuisance taxes" recommended by Governor Ely, which were rejected by the House of Representatives yesterday. Mr. Channing said that the arguments in favor of such special taxation at the present time "greatly outweighed disadvantages of the excises proposed."

He said that the \$6,000,000 which would be received in revenue from the taxes proposed on tobacco products, bottled beverages and amusements, although small in comparison to the total amount of the increase in public welfare expenditures through the State, would have a tendency to give some measure of relief to the owners of real estate, upon whose shoulders the burden would fall.

Mr. Channing voiced the belief that taxes of the "nuisance" type ought to be used for old age assistance and other similar forms of welfare.

"Now as in the past," he said, "real estate owners view with apprehension any effort to raise money from new sources in order to provide revenue to distribute to the cities and towns. Experience has taught real estate owners that additional revenue invariably means additional expenditure and that the best check upon municipal expenditures is the political pressure upon those responsible for our city and town Governments to keep the local tax rate upon real estate as low as possible. In ordinary times the search for additional revenue to distribute to the cities and towns might well be undesirable."

"At the present time, because of the very heavy public welfare expenditures and because of the shrinkage in revenue from the income tax and the corporation tax, it seems likely that the tax rates in some cities and towns will necessarily be higher this year than last, even if the local authorities exert every effort to keep expenditures on a strictly economical basis. In these towns the revenue from the 'nuisance' taxes will be highly beneficial to real estate. In a few cities and towns, however, the opportunity for economy in general expenditures is so great that a very large amount of additional revenue from the State might well result in the postponement of necessary savings and of reductions in expenditure."

"In Boston, for instance, salary reductions and economies in the expenditures for personnel might be delayed to some extent if the city were to obtain additional revenue from the State. Despite this objection to the 'nuisance' taxes, I feel that the additional revenue which can through them be obtained is not sufficiently great to be seriously detrimental to a proper policy of economy, while it is large enough to bring to real estate some slight measure of relief. It is also true that the psychological effect on the public generally would be good in that taxes such as these having a general application will tend to emphasize the importance of governmental economy if further taxation is to be avoided."

TRAVELER 5/21/32

Digging Nearly Completed, but Tube Won't Be Done Until 1934

BY CHARLES PARKER
When it's completed, and the whistle blows for the grand opening, two lines of automobiles will swing into the brand new East Boston vehicular traffic tunnel and these strings will keep on going as long as traffic lasts, experts say. There'll always be enough business is the prediction.

COLOSSAL PROJECT

Some have contended the tube should have been twice the size. Still it's a colossal thing as it is—or will be, and the digging is about over. The excavating army is now at a point exactly underneath the Boston El power station 365-371 Commercial street, not far from the surface at Cross street where the Boston portal will be.

This does not mean that you will be driving through in a few days. Colonel Thomas F. Sullivan, who as chairman of the transit commission, has charge of the work, puts the date of opening in January 1934. A trip down in from the East Boston end, will reveal the innumerable complexities still to be smoothed out. But the dangerous feature of the enterprise, boring in compressed air through the mud underneath the harbor, is completed. What remains is almost a clean-up and polishing-up job.

NEARLY MILE LONG

When complete the car rider will go humming through a rectangular shaped mile-long box, with an immaculately smooth driveway, vertical walls on either side, but with 1,000,000 cubic feet of fresh air per second surging in from 28 giant motors and the two ventilating stations at North and Clark streets, on the west side and at Liverpool and Maverick streets East Boston. From underneath the driving surface this influx of ozone will forever be seeping in the length of the tube. There will be a string of hydrants with water supply all the way through in case of fire, bulbs which will illuminate the tunnel with bright light, and traffic policing at all times. A policeman's walk is elevated three feet six inches above the main surface of the tube.

IN VARYING STAGES

Today the inside of the tube, descending from the East Boston end, is in varying stages of completion. Far along, all the way underneath the harbor are heard the intermittent exhausts of compressed air as one air chamber door shuts and another opens in the process of shunting forth excavated mud taken from the "boring" end.

Along the journey runs a ragged board floor with wooden cross timbers underneath. Then, beyond that, is a rough cement base over which the highway top will be laid. Walls all the way through as yet are circular in appearance, one section lined with twisted steel ribs, thousands of them, close together, upon which the concrete inner skin ultimately will be laid. The outer circumference of the cylinder is of steel ring, segments thousands upon thousands of them, bolted together to form an imperishable wall against encroachments of water.

Inside the tunnel, past the air locks a little army of men are at work day after day with shovels, relentlessly driving at a wall of thick black and

grayish muck, gradually bringing the colossal dangers of the task to its ending.

There is the midway lock for getting inside, then the pressure chamber. That same pressure that served to keep the bottom mud of the harbor from falling in and letting down the sea—serves to help keep the surface

above from collapsing on the heads of the shovelers, and they work in it, tuned up to undergo the tension of the pressure chamber as long as the digging lasts.

The task is the biggest ever carried out in this New England corner of the world. New York has its similar tube—the "Holland Tunnel," a little longer than this one—9000 feet long, but of no greater technical importance as to problems involved.

The Boston underwater traffic tube is straight as a dye, no curves nor twists. Approaches, when completed, promise a marvel of smooth easy driving for the automobile rider. A bill now pending proposes to widen Cross street, to 100 feet to Haymarket square, and Portland and Merrimac streets to 80 feet to Chardon street thus giving broad thoroughfare across to Cambridge street and Scollay Square.

North street will be widened to 100 feet from Dock square to the Plaza on Cross street. North street is now 25 feet. Cross street will be widened to 100 feet to Hanover and to Mercantile street into the heart of the market district.

On the East Boston side, Chelsea street will provide a through traffic artery to Orient Heights and Boardman street.

TO PARKWAY

The state highway commission will pick up the trail at this point with a 3-mile long thoroughfare to the Revere Beach parkway at \$1,000,000 outlay. This will furnish a through route to the Newburyport Turnpike. Porter street, East Boston will be widened to 100 feet between Central Square and Chelsea street. It is also proposed to widen Porter from Chelsea street to the airport.

The completion of this last link will make it possible to drive from the heart of the downtown district to the airport in approximately 7 minutes.

The tunnel will eliminate three bridges, those of Charlestown and of the north and south Chelsea bridges, from the itinerary of the car rider routing to the north of Boston.

Lastly the chairman points out, it will enable the man with a car to get from the Boston end to the East Boston end of the tunnel in three to four minutes.

Post 5/21/32

MAYOR WARNS ON CHISELLERS

Soliciting Firms for Convention Expenses

A second warning within a week against what he termed "professional chisellers," who have been attempting to collect money in his name from contractors and firms doing business with the city was sounded yesterday by Mayor Curley in bringing the matter to the attention of the police, the Chamber of Commerce and the Boston Better Business Bureau.

"My attention has been directed within the past 72 hours to the fact," said the Mayor, "that another group of professional chisellers are soliciting firms, corporations and individuals doing business with the city of Boston, to defray the expenses of a special train to convey friends of mine to the Democratic national convention at Chicago."

"I desire at this time to state emphatically that the work in question is both unauthorized and unlawful, and that, in my opinion, the time has arrived to end a custom that should not be permitted in the community."

STOP REPAIRS ON POLICE BOAT

Norton Seeks to Force Collection on Bond

Councillor Clement A. Norton, who fathered the investigation of the new police boat, "Stephen J. O'Meara," after receiving the report of the Finance Commission and that of Professors Minot and Owen of Technology stated that he would call the whole affair to the attention of District Attorney Foley and would immediately file a taxpayers' petition in court to force Mayor Curley to collect on the bond filed by the builders of the boat, and to restrain the Mayor from defeating the rights of the city, by turning the vessel over to the Institutions Department and attempting to make repairs.

Councillor Norton claims the boat could not cross the Frog Pond on the Boston Common, and to put on it the unfortunates going to and from Deer and Long Islands, in Boston Harbor, is wrong.

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Sweet Charity! Mayor James M. Curley, left, as he presented a book to Judge Emil E. Fuchs, of the second-place Boston Braves, when the Tribal head called yesterday at City Hall to arrange a Braves-Red Sox benefit game June 29. (Daily Record Photo)

HERALD CURLEY CUP TILTS SOCCER FEATURES

Beacon and Clansmen Tie Tops Tomorrow's Card

SOCCER TOMORROW

Mayor James M. Curley cup—Beacon A. C. vs. Clan MacGregors, at Everett. Dorchester Waverly vs. Boston Celtics, at Franklin field. Norwegian Americans vs. Hyde Park, at North Brighton.

Victoria cup—Bunker Hill Celtics vs. Swedish F. C., at Sullivan square. Revere Corinthians vs. Swedish Americans, at Revere. Victoria S. C. vs. St. Plus, at West Roxbury. South Lawrence vs. Carsons, at South Lawrence.

Junior cup—Armenians vs. Fore River, at Cambridge. Riversides vs. Maccabees, at Lynn. Bay State league—St. Anthony's vs. Worcester Scandinavians, at Lowell.

Soccer fans are presented with a wonderful program of cup games for this week-end. Every game scheduled

in the Mayor James M. Curley cup is above the ordinary and victory may go to either club in any of the contests and all the teams engaged are determined to advance in this competition.

The big attraction is the Beacon A. C. and Clan MacGregor first-round tie to be played at Glendale park, tomorrow. This should prove to be one of the best contests ever witnessed on these grounds.

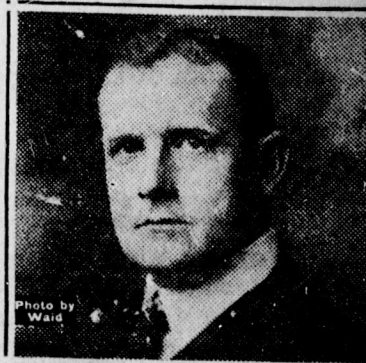
Boston Celtics and Dorchester Waverly meet at Franklin field for the third time in the first round of this competition. Norwegian Americans entertain Hyde Park, in the second game of the first round, at North Brighton. In the first game played at Readville the game ended in a tie score, but Norwegians, playing at their home ground, is favored to enter the semi-final.

Revere Corinthians are at home to Swedish Americans in the second round of the Victoria cup. This should be a great contest. The Worcester club has fixed up "Squire" Rumney to play right halfback. "Squire" made a big hit with Boston fans when he played for Boston Bears in the American league.

M. C. O. F. MEMBERS TO TAKE SECOND DEGREE

Curley Court Affair Monday—Mayor to Be Guest

More than 200 new members of the James M. Curley Jr Court, M. C. O. F., will be initiated into the second degree of the order Monday evening in the



WILLIAM G. O'HARE
Chief Ranger

main ballroom of the Hotel Statler. Members of the Leo degree staff of Leo Court, M. C. O. F., of East Boston will confer the degree on the candidates.

Mayor James M. Curley will be the guest of honor. Members of all Forster courts in the Commonwealth have been invited.

The Curley Court now has almost 1000 members and the average age of the members is 24 years.

Globe

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NICHOLS URGES AIRPLANE WORK IN NAVY YARD HERE

**Ex-Mayor Says Closing of the Charlestown Plant
Would Be Folly and Blow to Security**

NEWS AND NOTES CONCERNING AVIATION

By C. Joseph Harvey

Ex-Mayor Malcolm E. Nichols, in an address before the annual banquet of the East Boston Board of Trade, advanced a unique thought of general interest to aviation in this part of the country in the suggestion that the Charlestown Navy Yard, or at least part of it, be used as an experimental station in the development of airplanes and safety devices.

Branding the proposed closing of the yard as folly and "positively absurd, in that it was a blow to national security," the ex-Mayor declared that it would be a wise move for the Government to turn over part of its local equipment to airplane manufacturers for experimental purposes and perfection of such an essential vehicle of travel and defense in the future.

"Because of its accessible location to the Boston Airport, one of the best in the world," declared Mr. Nichols, "such an arrangement would stimulate interest in aviation hereabouts, and eventually attract to our city a part of the airplane industry, which at present is largely confined to the Middle West cities. This may be accomplished with cooperation and organized effort.

"While other industries have been hard hit during the present economic situation, aviation seems to be the least affected. We have natural advantages to offer this particular type of commercial enterprise, and I personally believe the airplane industry should rightfully be centered in our city."

Reciting in detail the vast amount of work accomplished during his administration in the development of the airport, Ex-Mayor Nichols pointed out that it was only after tedious deliberations that he secured for the city proper title to the field, so that the present flying field and buildings could be laid out and constructed.

"True, there are a lot of people who cannot see the advantage of an airport; some went so far as to brand such an expenditure a waste of good money," went on Mr. Nichols, "but the day is not far off when they, too, will praise the wisdom of such a public project.

"It does not require much of a prophet to reveal the future and promise of aviation, but I dare venture that the Boston Air Terminal, in days not far off, will be a great asset to the commercial life of Boston and the State."

The Boston Airport is close to the heart of Ex-Mayor Nichols. Its present layout was perfected under his administration at City Hall, and he is heartily in accord with the extensive development carried on by his successor, Mayor Curley, who also has a keen eye for air trade in the future.

CURLEY SENDS HIS CONGRATULATIONS

**Urges Majority Rule in
Message to Roosevelt**

Mayor Curley yesterday sent a letter of congratulation to Gov. Franklin B. Roosevelt of New York at Warm Springs, Ga., on the latter's primary victories yesterday in Oregon, with 10 votes, and in Tennessee, with 24 votes, as well as those in Kansas, Montana, New Mexico, Vermont and South Carolina during the week. With victory Saturday in Nevada expected, 104 votes will have been added to the Roosevelt column this week, the Mayor says.

The Mayor, in the letter, said:

"The votes of these States, plus the votes which you are certain to receive from the New York and Pennsylvania delegations of 100, make a total for you of 568 which, plus the 12 in Colorado, 14 in Florida, 8 in Idaho, 20 in Mississippi and 6 in North Carolina, makes a grand total of 646, or 69 votes more than a majority.

"Industrial conditions in the country and party unity so essential to success in November makes imperative the repeal of the two-thirds rule and the adoption of the majority rule. The adoption of the majority rule should result in an harmonious convention through your nomination upon the first ballot and a victory for Democracy in November."

ELY SENDS NEW TAX MESSAGE

**Urges Necessity of Relief
as House Meets to
Reconsider**

As the lower branch of the Legislature convened this afternoon to take up the matter of reconsideration of its action of last week in killing the proposed tobacco, amusement and bottled beverages taxation, a second message on the matter was received from Gov. Ely.

He urged the necessity of some legislation to relieve municipalities burdened with public welfare demands, and expressed his willingness to accept the judgment of the Legislature.

A well-balanced tax relief program, he suggested, might well include a \$2 head tax (yielding \$2,400,000 yearly); a 10 per cent. increase in income taxes (yielding \$1,700,000); a tobacco tax for the remainder of the year (yielding \$3,000,000); a tax on beverages (yielding \$2,500,000); an amusement tax (yielding \$600,000), and salary reductions (yielding \$500,000).

Mayor Curley, with 40 other mayors and chairmen of boards of selectmen, held a conference at the Parker House this afternoon and voted to go to the State House and urge the legislators from their districts to support reconsideration of their action on the tobacco tax. They went on record as in favor of this form of taxation.

The Governor's message was referred to the committees on ways and means and taxation, sitting jointly, and a hearing was announced for tomorrow morning at 10:30 o'clock in the Gardner auditorium.

Reconsideration of the action of last week, moved by Representative Birmingham of Brighton, Democratic leader, was put over to the end of the calendar for the day.

WATSON HAS 50 IN LINE

Former City Councillor James A. "Jerry" Watson of Hyde Park, who is arranging for a trip by Democrats to the coming national convention, says that 50 men have already made reservations. "Jerry" says that members of his group are paying their own expenses and are not to be confused with the "professional chiselers," denounced by Mayor Curley last week after he had learned that they are soliciting contributions to defray the cost of their journey to the Windy City.

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STATE SENATOR MICHAEL J. WARD TO WED ACTRESS

Engagement of New York Dancer to Roxbury Man Is Announced



SENATOR MICHAEL J. WARD



MISS LOUISE VERCOTTA

Mrs Barbara Vercotta of 202 Riverside Drive, N Y, today made formal announcement of the engagement of her daughter, Miss Louise Vercotta, known on the stage as Louise Vercell, to State Senator Michael J. Ward of Roxbury. No date has been set for the marriage. It was said that the ceremony would be performed at the Passionist Monastery in New York later this year.

State Senator Ward is one of the Democratic leaders in the State. He was secretary to Mayor James M. Curley during the Mayor's first administration, and since has served in the

Boston City Council, the House of Representatives and the Senate, of which he is now a member.

The bride-to-be is one of the Vercell sisters, dancers. She has been with the Earl Carroll Vanities, and one June 5 she opens in Detroit with a Lew Leslie production. She is a native of Los Angeles, and was educated on the West Coast, where she also attended well-known schools of dancing. She has been on the stage for the last seven years, and has starred in various parts of the country. She recently finished a tour on R.-K.-O. vaudeville.

WOULD COST TOO MUCH

To the Editor of the Post:

Sir—In a letter signed by R. M. Bradley, which appeared in your issue of May 19, the suggestion is made that instead of expending \$3,000,000 for the construction of widened street approaches to the East Boston tunnel in the city proper the money could be more wisely devoted to the construction of a vehicular tunnel under the central area of Boston.

Mr. Bradley's theory is by no means novel, as it has been advanced and considered many times in the past. Contrary to the implication contained in his statement that "the technical advice received has not been complete," the fact is that for a number of years the subject has been carefully investigated and studied by planning experts of outstanding reputation.

Mr. Bradley's reference to the attention which he asserts is being given to through vehicular tunnels in other cities is mystifying. New York, the only city in the world which has given serious thought to such projects, evolved a plan for a tri-borough vehicular tunnel, but has shelved the idea because it would entail the prohibitive expenditure of more than \$500,000,000. While a similar tunnel in Boston would, of course, be on a much smaller scale, the necessary outlay would be so tremendous as to be beyond the pale of possible consideration within our time.

An expenditure of \$3,000,000 for street widenings constituting part of a central artery and providing necessary approaches to the East Boston tunnel is scarcely comparable with the enormous expenditure which would be required for a through tunnel by-passing the entire business section of the city, which Mr. Bradley appears to advocate.

THOMAS F. SULLIVAN.

Chairman, Boston Transit Commission.

RECORD 5/24/32

CURLEY LAUDS SLATTERY HEAD; NEW STORE OPENED

Mayor James M. Curley, accompanied by his daughter Mary, yesterday attended the opening of the new store of E. T. Slattery Co.

Miss Curley was particularly interested in the sports department, which is an outstanding feature of the new store.

After a complete inspection of the building, the mayor made the following statement to newspaper men:

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"The need of the hour is faith

plus good works. Mr. O'Connell has given us genuine proof of his faith in the inherent soundness of business conditions in Boston and New England by the expansion which he is making in his own company and by his far-reaching preparations for the period of general economic recovery which is sure to come.

"The only panacea for unemployment is work and wages and any concern that practices this sound doctrine at the present time becomes a real benefactor of humanity and merits confidence and support."

200 INITIATED BY CURLEY, JR., COURT

The James M. Curley, Jr., Court, Massachusetts Catholic Order of Foresters, last night initiated more than 200 new members into the second degree of the order, at the Hotel Statler, bringing the total membership of the court to nearly 1000 members.

Chief Ranger William G. O'Hare presided, while the degree staff of Leo Court of East Boston conferred the degrees.

TRANSIT TRUSTEES ASK FOR DAY LABOR

Trustees of the Metropolitan Transit District, meeting yesterday at Mayor Curley's office at City Hall, voted to request the Legislature for permission to use day labor instead of contract labor on the proposed construction of \$40,000,000 worth of new transit facilities.

Attending the meeting with the Mayor were Lieutenant-General Edward L. Logan, Robert J. Bottomly and Judge Roscoe Walsworth of the Metropolitan Transit Board of Trustees.

TRAVELER

5/24/32

VIEW ADDITION AT SLATTERY'S

Shoppers Throng 2 Floors
Now Ready for Their
Inspection

MAYOR PAYS TRIBUTE TO HEAD OF FIRM

Two floors of the new six-story addition to the store of the E. T. Slattery Company were formally opened to the public yesterday, after months of work by architects, builders and decorators and the expenditure of \$75,000 by the long established Tremont street firm. Shoppers in large numbers crowded the addition for inspection of the appointments of the salesrooms and their stocks of sportswear and summer clothing.

Behind the black and silver modernistic "front" which conforms in style with the rest of the Slattery facade, is a modernist salon in soft beige and brown tones, highlighted with silver. Specially designed fixtures cast a daylight glow in this salon where sports apparel is glorified. In this shop you will find everything your sporting blood yearns for, both for active and spectator sports. There are bathing suits, wraps, pajamas, the popular "slacks" that were a St. Tropez fashion, and every other conceivable type of beach tog; sweaters that are sheer as cobwebs or made of a zephyr yarn crocheted in lace effects. Blazer striped jackets, corduroys, swagger coats, in fact things for sports that will intrigue and captivate those with the most sophisticated and discriminating tastes.

There are seven fitting rooms in the sport shop, done in a luminous paint of seashell pink, with silver fittings and specially designed chairs in platinum grey.

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On the second floor is the summer shop, high-vaulted and airy—sure to be a cool place to shop on a hot day. The cool grey-green walls accented with silver are a perfect background for the colorful summer frocks, designed to keep down your temperature and keep up your fashion standards wherever you wear them.

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WIVES MAY LOSE THEIR CITY JOBS

Council Advises Ousting Them From Boston Payrolls

Removal from city and county jobs of all married women whose husbands can support them was demanded late yesterday by the City Council through the adoption of an order introduced by Councillor Thomas Burke of Dorchester and transmitted to Mayor Curley for action.

MAYOR FOR PLAN

The Mayor himself said last night that he was heartily in favor of such action, provided that it could be done legally, as a means of providing work and wages for the jobless. According to the Mayor, "there is no way to justify a woman working for the city or the county if her husband can support her."

But Corporation Counsel Samuel Silverman, head of the city law department, expressed the off-hand opinion later that there might be legal difficulties in some cases.

He pointed out that a woman did not lose her service rights by marrying. School teachers, it was explained, in accepting their appointments, agree to resign when they wed.

2000 Women Affected

Councillor Burke, in presenting his order, which was adopted by the Council unanimously without debate, stated that he realized that he would be a target for criticism, but felt it his duty to start the movement to dismiss married women with supporting husbands.

Members of the Council, following the session, estimated that of the 22,000 employees in the city and county departments there were at least 2000 married women who did not need to work. Official figures were lacking.

Home rule for Boston was requested by the Council in a resolution passed unanimously to request Governor Ely to veto the \$3,000,000 Haymarket square widening bill, which will become law today unless he sends it back to the Legislature.

Councillor Joseph McGrath of Dorchester, who presented the resolution, stated that with nine other Democratic members of the Council, he worked publicly and vigorously for the nomination and election of the Governor in the belief that he would insist upon "home rule" in all State matters affecting the city.

West End Playground Stopped

Another West End improvement was stopped yesterday when the Council refused to accept the legislative act authorizing the city to spend \$125,000 for a playground at Nashua and Leverett streets.

Mayor Curley's action in suspending the celebration of Dorchester Day and Roxbury Day this year to save \$4000 for the poor and unemployment relief fund was severely criticised by Councillors Francis E. Kelly and Thomas Burke of Dorchester.

In presenting an order, requesting the Mayor to reconsider this action, Councillor Kelly protested it was "false economy, deceit and hypocrisy to deprive the Dorchester children of ice cream, candy, doll carriage parade prizes, band concerts and fireworks on the first Saturday in June."

On inquiry at the Mayor's office to find the reason for the cancellation of the programme, City Messenger Leary reported to the Council that the Mayor had not only cut out Dorchester and Roxbury days, but had reduced the budgets for the celebration of legal holidays.

POLICE BOAT PROBE ORDERED BY CURLEY

Mayor Curley decided yesterday to ascertain if the \$250,000 police boat, Stephen O'Meara, which he has arranged to turn over to the institutions department, was built in conformity with specifications.

At a protracted conference, attended by Corporation Counsel Silverman, it was held wise to employ a naval construction expert to compare the much discussed boat with the specifications.

Subsequently the city council sent a message to Police Commissioner Hultman demanding an explanation of his acceptance of the boat. Councilman Norton declared that marine engineers have declared that at least 40 changes must be made in the boat.

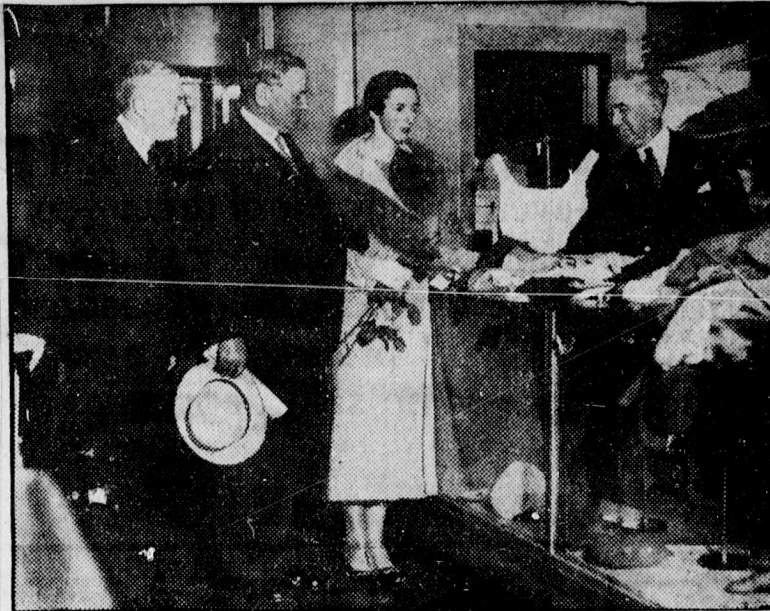
MAYOR FILLS UNSALARIED POSTS

Reappointments to unsalaried municipal posts made by Mayor Curley yesterday were Arthur A. Shurcliff to the art commission and Sidney S. Conrad to the planning board, both until April 30, 1937, and Eugene M. McSweeney to the sinking fund commission until April 30, 1936.

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Left to right, William H. Taylor, Mayor James M. Curley, Miss Mary Curley and President P. A. O'Connell of the Slattery Company.

Mayor Curley and Daughter Among Visitors; Mayor Pays Tribute to Foresight of the Head of the Firm; Two New Floors Opened

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CITY COUNSEL ORDERED TO DRAFT BILL

Would Oust Wives Whose Husbands Can Support Them; Sharp Fight Predicted

Mayor Curley today instructed Corporation Counsel Samuel Silverman to draft a bill for presentation to the Legislature which, if it receives favorable action in that body, will permit the discharge from the municipal service of all married women, whose husbands can support them.

The Mayor took this action as a result of an order passed by the City Council yesterday urging that married women whose husbands are employed be discharged and their places filled from the ranks of Boston's jobless.

SHARP FIGHT SEEN

Corporation Counsel Silverman is of the opinion that the only way such discharges can be made is through new legislation. He is of the opinion that it will be difficult to secure passage of such a bill since a four-fifths vote of the members of the Legislature is necessary for passage.

On orders from the Mayor, however, he will draft such a bill and present it at the State House at an early date.

Curley to Speak at Meeting of Mayors

Mayor Curley will be one of the principal speakers at a meeting of mayors of the large cities of the nation in Detroit next Wednesday. The group will hold a one day meeting to discuss unemployment and various measures of relief.

Curley plans to leave next Tuesday afternoon and to arrive in Detroit shortly before the opening of the meeting at 10 a. m.

SLATTERY'S OPEN TWO NEW DEPARTMENTS IN ANNEX

Sport Shop on First Floor, Washable Dresses on Second—New Materials and Styles on Display



PROMINENT BOSTONIANS AT SLATTERY'S NEW DEPARTMENT
Left to Right—Mayor James M. Curley, Miss Mary Curley and Pres. P. A. O'Connell
of E. T. Slattery Co.

All kinds of new and different washable dresses and sport frocks for Summer are shown in the two new departments which the E. T. Slattery Company has opened on the first and second floors of the building adjoining their store on Tremont st., which was formerly the F. P. O'Connor store and is now a part of their building. Later in the year the four additional floors above will be completed and opened to the public.

The first floor, which has been made into the Sport Shop, is paneled in soft shades of brown and beige, and the small dressing rooms which open off it are all done in pale rose color, with indirect lighting which gives a day-light effect. Blouses, bathing suits and beach wear and sport ensembles are featured in this shop. Some of the best examples of the new materials and styles in blouses can be seen here. The charming new

triple sheer blouses, made of the very thinnest chiffon and georgette, with wide saddle shoulders, the sheer cottons and laces, the printed sheers with three-quarter length sleeves and cowl necklines higher than those of last year, and the eyelet batiste models, are a few of the attractive blouses for Summer wear. Blouses, on the whole, are shorter this year and most of them just meet the top of the high-waisted skirts. Two that are different and very charming are of Irish origin, one of Irish crochet done in yarn, and the other of woven Irish linen. Both come in white and eggshell shades.

In the bathing suit shop there are some interesting models which are being shown for the first time this season. One is a navy blue suit which consists of nothing but a jersey brassiere and short trunks to match.

This, however, is recommended for wear on private bathing beaches. Another is a "romper suit" which has no back at all, and crosses in the back with two straps at the waistline.

The smart thing to wear over a bathing suit this season is the new "slacks," which are trousers fashioned very much like those men wear, with side pockets and a small change pocket in the front. Attractive ones in flannel and whipcord are shown in the Sport Shop, and there is also a pair in the rough terry cloth, with a red striped short jacket to complete the outfit. Another suitable covering for a bathing suit is the new one-piece seersucker beach pajamas, with floppy beach hats to match. They come in red, blue and green. For general wear on the beach there is a white water polo coat which is smart and completely washable.

The second floor of the new addition is given over entirely to washable frocks, and there is a variety of styles to choose from. Linen dresses are much in evidence, made mostly in two-piece models, with wide pleated skirts that allow activity in sports.

Other new features are dresses of imported Liberty lawn, which look like chiffon from a distance and are entirely washable; frocks of very fine "pin-line" pique, suits of heavy pique which looks like corduroy, and light dresses of silk pique in white and pastel shades.

Three very recent materials are seersucker, which is coming back into general use both in dresses and in underwear; cotton mesh, which is cool and light; and roughella, a rough crepe with a silky finish. All are carried out with the new details of higher waist and neck lines, and many are of white with contrasting touches of color, a combination which is smart this season.

AMERICAN 5/24/32 Fee to Register City Bond Transfer

Persons registering transfer of municipal bonds will have to pay a fee of 50 cents in future as the result of an order issued today by City Treasurer Edmund L. Dolan and approved by Mayor Curley.

Approximately 3000 transfers are registered at the office of the city treasurer each year and with this fee it is expected to derive an annual income of \$1500.

Curley Approves \$39,100 for Sewers

Orders for sewerage improvements in various sections of the city involving the expenditure of \$39,100 were approved by Mayor Curley today. Projects authorized were, Thornley st., Dorchester, \$18,000; Glenhaven rd., West Roxbury \$11,000; Peterboro st., Roxbury \$4800; Pleasant st., Dorchester \$3900; Mount Hope st., Roslindale \$1300, and North ave., Roxbury \$1000.

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CITY COUNCIL HITS AT MARRIED WOMEN

Asks Mayor to Oust Them From Municipal Office—Haymarket- Sq Inquiry Urged

Married women employes of the city of Boston who have husbands able to support them were the target of a resolution passed by the City Council yesterday. On motion of Councillor Burke, the resolution asks that the Mayor discharge such women and fill their places with deserving unemployed.

Councillor Burke said that on the city payrolls were many women whose husbands were also working and earning enough for the joint support. In view of the widespread unemployment, the Dorchester Councillor seeks to have the places made available for persons needing the employment. The resolution passed under suspension of the rules.

Mayor Curley said that he heartily favored the measure if it can be done legally. "With the number of jobless now," said the Mayor, "there is no way to justify women working for the city if their husbands can support them."

When asked about the measure last night, Corporation Counsel Samuel Silverman said that it could not be made effective except by legislation, because Civil Service rules do not distinguish between men and women.

Kelly's Ice Cream Order

Councillor Kelly returned yesterday after a spell at the City Hospital and pressed for his order calling for an appropriation of \$2000 for ice cream, sports, etc., on Dorchester Day next month. City Messenger Edward Leary waited upon the Mayor's office and reported back that appropriations had been cut even for Memorial Day and that any money that would have been appropriated for Roxbury or Dorchester Days will be used instead in the Welfare Department.

Director of Public Celebrations Edmund L. Dolan said that there had been a saving of \$3000 on Memorial Day expenses, \$2000 on Roxbury Day and the same amount on Dorchester Day. There also was a slash on March 17 and plans call for a slash at Charlestown on June 17.

A legislative act to permit the city to borrow money for park purposes, sponsored yesterday by Councillor John I. Fitzgerald, failed to pass and, after some voting, went to the executive committee. Councillor Hein questioned the acceptance and it developed that the order offered by Councillor Fitzgerald contained reference to \$125,000 for a Nashua-st playground.

Councillor Laurence Curtis 2d and Councillor George P. Donovan were

elected by their colleagues to be members of the board of managers of the Old South Association.

Haymarket Sq Issue Up

The Finance Commission was asked by Councillor Norton to investigate the real estate situation insofar as the \$3,000,000 widening at Haymarket sq is concerned.

Declaring that he would head a committee of 10 taxpayers and go before the Supreme Court in event that Gov Ely failed to veto the Haymarket sq \$3,000,000 widening, Councillor Joseph McGrath called upon the City Council yesterday to declare for Home Rule.

Under the terms of the Haymarket sq Act the City Council is deprived of any opinion or authority in the matter. The Dorchester councillor announced that he was one of 10 Boston men who had put the stamp of approval on Joseph B. Ely, then campaigning for Governor, and that after Ely was beaten by 60,000 votes in the State, Boston gave to the man from Western Massachusetts a glorious victory instead of ignominious defeat.

According to Councillor McGrath, tomorrow is the dead line and he says he is satisfied that, before the time limit expires, Gov Ely will do as his predecessor, Gov Allen did on occasion: give Home Rule to Boston and permit the 22 councillors to determine what is best for their taxpayers.

Annuity Voted Widow

Frances G. Dolan, widow of Charles F. Dolan, Charlestown fireman who met his death in the line of duty, will receive an annuity of \$1000 as a result of an order offered by Councillor Green and passed yesterday. The act also provides \$400 annually for minor children.

Director Shields of the Municipal Employment Bureau asked for \$30,000 to carry on the work and the Council yesterday appropriated \$5000.

Police Commissioner Hultman is asked, in an order passed by the Council and offered by Councillor Norton, why the Commissioner accepted the police boat Stephen J. O'Meara which the Councillor termed a \$250,000 white elephant. The Councillor said that marine engineers have declared that 40 changes will be necessary in the boat.

Meanwhile the same boat was the subject of discussion at a conference in the office of Mayor Curley, at the conclusion of which Corporation Counsel Silverman announced that a naval engineer would be engaged to examine the boat and determine whether the

City actually got what it ordered in the line of a police boat. The boat probably will be transferred to the institutions service.

CURLEY REAPPOINTS CONRAD, SHURCLIFF AND McSWEENEY

Mayor Curley yesterday made the following reappointments: Arthur A. Shurcliff to the Art Commission for term ending April 30, 1937; Sidney S. Conrad to the City Planning Board for term ending April 30, 1937, and Eugene M. McSweeney to the Board of Commissioners of Sinking Funds for the term ending April 30, 1935.

RAPID TRANSIT CONSTRUCTION WILL BE ON DAY LABOR BASIS

A meeting of the trustees of the Metropolitan District Trustees was held yesterday at the Mayor's office, and it was voted to insert a provision in the bill for the construction of Routes 1 and 2 of the Rapid Transit System recently authorized by the Metropolitan Transit District Council, and that the work be done upon a day labor basis.

Among those present were Gen Edward L. Logan, Robert Bottomley and Roscoe Walworth.

TRAVELER 5/24/32 MAYOR ACCEPTS BID TO DETROIT

Curley to Speak at Parley Called to Aid Stricken Cities

Mayor Curley today accepted an invitation, extended to him by Mayor Frank Murphy of Detroit on behalf of the mayors of Michigan cities, to speak at a conference of the mayors of all American cities with a population of 100,000 or more, next Wednesday at the Detroit City Hall.

The conference has been called to discuss federal relief for financially stricken municipalities, and to determine solutions for the fiscal problems of the major cities of the country.

Mayor Curley declared himself in favor of the move to bring pressure on Congress for relief for cities in bad financial condition. He will make a flying trip to Detroit, arriving there Wednesday and returning Thursday.

Mayor Walker of New York and Mayor Cermak of Chicago have also accepted invitations.

City Council Order Is Passed Without Debate

A move to oust all married women whose husbands are able to support them from the service of the city of Boston was furthered yesterday by the Boston City Council which, without debate and under a suspension of rules, passed an order placing the body on record as favoring the action.

Several thousand women are concerned. Although the action by the City Council is considered more important as it pertains to the city proper, the order, introduced by City Councillor Thomas Burke of Dorchester, includes a recommendation that the same policy be pursued toward married women in the employ of the county.

Councillor Burke's order was passed without debate, with 17 of 22 councillors present and voting. For immediate action, a suspension of the rules was enacted.

The order carried with it a recommendation that all places which might be vacated by removal of married women not dependent on their own efforts for support should be filled by members of the unemployed.

"I have been warned that this is 'dynamite,'" Councillor Burke said in offering his resolution. "Nevertheless, I am introducing it in the hope that it will give some unfortunate unemployed persons, a chance to earn a living."

Mayor James M. Curley, informed of the action by the council, declared he would give the



Mayor Curley Thos. Burke

order grave consideration today and expressed himself as thoroughly in accord with the measure.

"I am heartily in favor of this move, if there is any way in which it can be legally done," Mayor Curley said. "With the number of jobless people now in this city, there is no way to justify women working for the city if their husbands can support them."

It was pointed out that many employees of the city, both men and women, are civil service appointees, and several major difficulties will arise before the order can be made law.

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Council Demands Ousting of Women City Employes Not Dependent on Pay

The city council yesterday adopted as long as they are under civil service," he said. "Of course school teachers can be removed by a ruling of the school department, but the legislature would have to act to permit the discharge of women under civil service."

Municipal departments now include in their personnel many women clerks, typists and others whose husbands have been employed steadily and profitably for years. Two months ago the city council revealed that the wife of a fireman and the wife of a prosperous owner of a trucking business both are employed in the municipal employment bureau.

A tabulation is being prepared by every department head in the city, listing the names of all women employed, their addresses and the schools their children attend, if they are mothers. There is no civil service regulations which prohibits a single woman from holding her position in the event she is married later.

Samuel Silverman, corporation counsel, declared that women employed under the civil service cannot be removed without legislative action, since the civil service does not distinguish between men and women.

"The removing of married women is easier said than done, and I see no way to let them go legally at the present time

CITY COUNCIL BALKS ON \$125,000 BOND ISSUE

Approval of Legislative Authority Shunted to Executive Committee

The city council balked yesterday at approving a legislative bill authorizing a bond issue of \$125,000 for the construction of the Nashua street extension playground and referred the proposal of Councilman John I. Fitzgerald to the executive committee.

Reading of an order recording the council as accepting a legislative bill authorizing the borrowing of money for park purposes led Councilman Hein of Brighton to become inquisitive. He demanded detailed information. Thereupon the bill was read and it was discovered that it referred to the playground in which Martin M. Lomasney has been keenly interested for the last two years.

The council was in no mood to accept the bill and its reference to the executive committee means that it will await calling up for consideration two weeks hence by Councilman Fitzgerald.

Curley to Attend Mayors' Conference

Mayors of cities of more than 100,000 population have been invited by the Michigan chief executives to attend a conference at the City Hall in Detroit next Wednesday to consider the economic plight in which the majority of American municipalities find themselves as the result of business depression and to formulate suggestions for congressional action. Mayor Curley today received a lengthy telegraphic invitation to attend, the information being that Mayor Walker of New York and Cermak of Chicago had already accepted. Mr. Curley plans to leave Boston Tuesday afternoon and return on Thursday.

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Law May Save Jobs of Married Women

Whether Mayor Curley could legally order from the city and county payrolls married women who are not dependent upon their own salaries is a question being considered by the law department in the light of an order passed by the City Council yesterday offered by Councilor Burke of Dorchester and forwarded to the mayor. It was estimated that there are at least 2000 women employees who do not need their positions as a means of livelihood.

Mayor Curley later remarked that he was in favor of such action as the council suggested if it could be done legally as a means of providing work for the jobless. In other words, there is no way to justify a woman working for the city if her husband can support her, the mayor declared.

Home rule for Boston was requested by the council in a resolution passed unanimously to request Governor Ely to veto the \$3,000,000 Haymarket square widening bill, which will become law today unless he sends it back to the Legislature.

Another West End improvement was stopped when the council refused to accept the legislative act authorizing the city to spend \$125,000 for a playground at Nashua and Leverett streets.

Mayor Curley's action in suspending the celebration of Dorchester Day and Roxbury Day this year to save \$4000 for the poor and unemployment relief fund was severely criticized by Councilors Francis E. Kelly and Thomas Burke of Dorchester.

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E. M. McSweeney on Sinking Fund Board

Eugene M. McSweeney, of the executive division of the Hearst newspaper service in New England, has been reappointed a member of the municipal Board of Commissioners of Sinking Funds for a term ending April 30, 1935. The Mayor also reappointed Sidney S. Conrad as a member of the city planning board for a term ending April 30, 1937, and Arthur A. Shurtleff as a member of the city art commission.

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CURLEY CALLS FOR BILL ON MARRIED EMPLOYEES

Corporation Counsel Samuel Silverman was instructed yesterday by Mayor Curley, in pursuance of a resolution passed by the City Council Monday, to prepare legislation calling for the discharge of women or men employees of the city of Boston whose "other halves" are also employed.

The measure is designed to take from the payrolls persons with husbands or wives earning enough to support a home, and make work for deserving unemployed.

Mayor Curley said that it might be difficult to have the bill admitted at this time because such legislation would require a four-fifths vote for admission.

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BOOSTING BUREAU TO SHUT DOWN

No Funds Left for City's Publicity Venture

Lacking funds to carry on, the city's Commercial, Industrial and Publicity Bureau, which has been "Booming Boston Business" the last two years, will suspend operations this week at the Chamber of Commerce building, it was learned last night.

\$27,000 TIED UP

The bureau still has about \$27,000 to its credit, but cannot get the money because it is in a closed bank (the Federal National). This deposit, together with about \$55,000 more which has been spent in the last two years on the "Boom Boston" campaign, was made up of contributions by Boston business men.

In an effort to save the bureau and tide it over until better times, Mayor Curley and the City Council appropriated \$15,000 from the city's reserve fund several months ago. But with the demands increasing upon the city for poor and unemployment relief, no further

DOOM SEEN FOR CURLEY BILL AIMED AT WOMEN

Doubt of the willingness of the Legislature to admit a bill, which Mayor Curley may sponsor, seeking authority to oust from public positions married women whose husbands are able to support them, was expressed yesterday by Corporation Counsel Silverman.

Civil service regulations prevent the ousting of public employees because they are married women with husbands able to support them. This barrier prohibits the mayor from placing in effect a rule denying municipal employment to married women not dependent upon themselves for support.

advances for the bureau will be made available.

Although the fund of \$82,000 was started by Mayor Curley with the \$1000 surplus from his mayoralty campaign fund at a meeting of Boston's business leaders two years ago last February, the city has maintained the payroll of the bureau, which reached about \$17,300 a year, in addition to a \$30,000 appropriation to advertise Boston throughout the world.

Activities Criticised

The bureau and its activities have been severely criticised in the City Council during the last two years by Councilor Clement A. Norton of Hyde Park, particularly in reference to the proposal last year to hold a Century of Progress Exposition at South Boston, under the direction of Colonel John S. Berger. Norton led the fight which resulted in calling off the exposition.

The closing down of the bureau this week will end the services of the staff, comprising a director of industries and a director of publicity at \$5000 a year each, a secretary at \$3000, a traffic manager at the same salary, and a stenographer at \$25 a week.

Director of Publicity Thomas A. Mullen had already planned to resume his law practice, while Director of Industries John T. Scully has been prominently mentioned during the past few weeks as slated for a \$7500 State post. The other members of the bureau preparing to leave the city service are Secretary Frederic E. Dowling, former member of the City Council from Brighton and Michael F. Curley, traffic manager

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CURLEY TO ABOLISH PUBLICITY BUREAU

Mayor Announces Step as Economy Measure

The city of Boston's Commercial, Industrial and Publicity Bureau, established in 1930 and maintained until recently without cost to the city, will be abolished July 1, Mayor Curley said last night.

The Mayor said that he had decided to abolish the bureau because of the necessity of conserving available funds to meet the constantly mounting demands upon the Public Welfare Department. He said that conditions also prevent the bureau from accomplishing the benefits for which it was designed.

Thomas A. Mullen, director of the bureau since it was established; John T. Scully, co-director, and Frederic E. Dowling are the principal attaches. Mullen and Scully receive \$5000 each and Dowling \$3000.

When the bureau was established, leaders in banking, commerce and industry cooperated with Mayor Curley and supplied a fund of \$65,000, considerably in excess of the money needed, to finance the work of advertising the commercial and industrial advantages of Boston.

CURLEY BACKS ELY TAX PLANS

Urges Foresters to Aid Governor in Proposals—Discounts "Little Difference" of Primary Fight



Tax measures proposed by Governor Ely were last night heartily endorsed by Mayor Curley, despite—in the Mayor's own words—"the little difference which we recently had." The occasion was the annual banquet of the Massachusetts Catholic Order of Foresters, held at the New Ocean House, Swampscott.

FOLLOWS GOVERNOR

The Mayor's speech followed an address by the Governor, in which the latter outlined his "nuisance" tax proposals, and in which he made the declaration that "unless men in public office forget self-interest, American democracy has one foot in the grave." The Governor said: "Unless those in public office ignore the pleas of the special interests and devote themselves to the interests of the common people, then I repeat American democracy has one foot in the grave."

Masses Not Represented

Illustrating what he meant by the "special interests," the Governor said that at a recent tax hearing in the State House, the largest available hearing room was filled to capacity with "special pleaders" for the interests whom it was proposed to tax, in pursuance of his own object to relieve the burden of taxation from real estate.

"And the great masses of the people," he said, "were not represented at all."

Governor Ely defended his proposed tax on cigarettes, soft drinks and amusements at some length, restating the arguments which he had previously advanced.

Lauds Smith

In the course of his speech, although he apologized "for intruding political matters," Governor Ely took occasion to laud Alfred E. Smith as "the man whom this great period of necessity had produced." The mention of the name of the former Governor of New York was greeted with tumultuous applause by the gathering of more than 1000 people.

Mayor Curley, who heard the Governor's address from the rear of the banquet hall, announced that he "heartily sympathizes with his Excellency in his tax proposals," and urged that the Foresters and similar organizations lend their efforts to aid him.

Speaking of the "little difference" which he and the Governor had, he said: "He was successful for his part in the matter for the time being. I was unsuccessful in my part."

"Only for Time Being"

"But that was only for the time being. Because you never lose when you fight a just cause, and mine is a just cause."

The Mayor made no direct reference to the disagreement between himself and the Governor in the primary campaign for delegates to the national Democratic campaign, but the "little difference" was taken to mean just that.

Mayor Curley, after his address, presented a purse of \$50 in gold to Dr. Mary Moore Cronin, chief ranger of Cronin Court, of the Foresters, as a reward for her work in gaining most new members for the organization in a recent membership drive. The money represents the interest on the \$1000 life insurance policy which membership in the Foresters' brought to the Mayor following the death of the latter's son, James M. Curley, Jr., was a member of the organization.

"The boy was wrapped up in this organization from the time he entered till he passed on to his reward," Mayor Curley declared.

The meetings will continue today.

Hub to Save \$13,000, Drops Trade Bureau

Mayor Curley will abolish the Boston municipal, commercial, industrial and publicity bureau July 1 and devote its cost of maintenance to public welfare work, he announced last night. Salaries totaling \$13,000 will be saved the city by retirement of Thomas A. Mullen and John T. Scully, director and co-director, who received \$5000 salary each and Frederick E. Dowling, who was paid \$3000 a year.

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TO ABOLISH CITY TRADE BUREAU

Mayor Decides Expenses of
Industrial Board Need-
ed for Relief Work

**COSTS PREVIOUSLY
PAID BY DONATIONS**

The municipal commercial, industrial and publicity bureau, established by Mayor Curley in 1930 and maintained until recently without cost to the city, will be abolished July 1, the mayor said last night.

Necessity of conserving available funds to meet the constantly mounting demands upon the public welfare department and the realization that conditions prevent the bureau from accomplishing any of the three municipal benefits for which it was created forced the decision of the mayor.

SAVES \$13,000 IN SALARIES

Thomas A. Mullen, director of the bureau since its inception; John T. Scully, co-director, and Frederick E. Dowling are the principal attaches, whose services will be terminated with the abandonment of a publicly financed venture upon which Mayor Curley banked heavily for the development of industries and commerce in Boston.

Mullen and Scully receive \$5000 each and Dowling \$3000.

"There isn't much that can be said about my decision to abolish the bureau," said the mayor at his home last night. "There isn't much that it can accomplish under prevailing conditions. I must conserve every dollar possible to meet the extraordinary expenditures of the welfare department, soldiers' relief and old age assistance. The bureau must be sacrificed to more pressing needs of the city."

Since its establishment, the bureau has extensively advertised the commercial and industrial advantages of Boston, and has attempted to encourage new industries to come here. Periodically, Boston has been advertised nationally by pamphlets, folders and bill boards. Business conditions have blocked the attainment of the benefits which the mayor had hoped would be accomplished by the bureau. He believes, however, that the expense of \$80,000 will be offset by industrial and commercial development, attributable to the work of the bureau, which will materialize when business conditions are vastly improved.

Leaders in fields of banking, industry and commerce enthusiastically cooperated with the idea of establishing the bureau which Mayor Curley described early in 1930 to a gathering of more than 1000 at the Chamber of Commerce.

HEARINGS ON NEW TUNNELS

**\$40,000,000 Proposals Be-
fore Committee Thursday**

The legislative committee on metropolitan affairs will hold hearings tomorrow on proposals of the Metropolitan Transit Council to provide for two new rapid transit tunnels or subways estimated to cost \$40,000,000.

The recommendations approved by the transit council, composed of Mayors and Selectmen within the Boston metropolitan district, with Mayor Curley as chairman, are those for a rapid transit route, known as Route 1, from South Huntington avenue through Huntington avenue, Stuart street, Columbus avenue and under the Common to a point near Park street station, thence under Beacon Hill to a connection with the East Boston tunnel at Bowdoin square, thence by the present East Boston tunnel to Maverick square and thence by new construction to a point at or near Day square, with provision for a future connection with the Boston,

Revere Beach & Lynn railroad. The estimated cost of this is \$23,400,000.

Route No. 2, also approved by the council, would start west of Harvard avenue in the Brighton section, following in general the line of Commonwealth avenue to Governor square, then through the Tremont and Boylston street subways to a point on Canal street near the North station, thence by the present Elevated structure and viaduct to Lechmere square and thence by new construction along the general line of the Boston & Maine railroad through Winter Hill and Davis square to a terminal in North Cambridge or Arlington.

LIBRARY WORKERS HOLD 30TH ANNUAL

Members of the Boston Public Library Employees' Benefit Association last night enjoyed their 30th anniversary at a banquet in the Hotel Bradford. Pierce E. Buckley, president of the association, who presided, announced the organization's fund now amounts to \$27,816.47, of which \$11,777.46 constitutes a permanent trust fund, only the income of which may be spent. Thomas A. Mullen, director of the city's commercial, industrial and publicity bureau, represented Mayor Curley. He urged "understanding as well as learning." Director Milton E. Lord of the Boston Public Library also spoke.

PLAN TO FILE "WIVES BILL"

**Boston Seeks to Remove
Married Women**

Legislation to remove from the city and county payrolls married women whose husbands can support them, will be sought today at the State House by Corporation Counsel Samuel Silverman, head of the city law department.

The legislative committee on rules can, on a four-fifths vote, admit the bill. The time limit for filing bills has expired, so that no new matters can be presented to the Legislature except on a four-fifths vote of its rules committee.

In response to his appeal for contributions to make the bureau the project of business men, voluntary subscriptions provided a fund of \$65,000, which was so much in excess of the cost of the bureau that a balance of \$26,000 was on deposit in the Federal National Bank when that institution closed.

Because of this loss of financial support, it was necessary for the mayor to appeal to the city council, early this year for an appropriation to insure the continuance of the bureau.

This fund will not be exhausted July 1, but the conviction of the mayor that it will be futile to expect the bureau to achieve any beneficial results this year moved him to order its abolition.

CURLEY TO ATTEND RELIEF DISCUSSION

**Mayors of Large U. S. Cities
To Meet at Detroit Wednesday**

Mayor Curley yesterday accepted an invitation to participate in a conference at Detroit, Wednesday, of mayors of all American cities with a population of 100,000 to discuss proposals of federal relief for financially ill municipalities as well as fiscal problems of American cities.

The invitation, extended in behalf of the mayors of Michigan cities by Mayor Frank Murphy of Detroit, urged Mayor Curley to take part in the conference, at which he expects both Mayors Walker of New York and Carmichael of Chicago.

"I think I'll attend that conference," said Mayor Curley. "It appeals to me as a constructive plan to focus national attention upon the predicament of most municipalities."

The mayor plans to leave Boston Tuesday afternoon, reach Detroit in time to spend the entire day at the conference, and to return to City Hall Thursday morning.

He expressed accord with the view of Mayor Murphy that it is imperative that the major cities of the nation organize to impress upon Congress the absolute need of immediate remedial legislation for the conditions which confront every section of the country.

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ATTACK ON MAYOR AS A SPENDER

Tax Association Hits Plan for Subway Extensions

CLAIM IGNORANCE OF ECONOMIC RULES

Demand Solons Curb Extravagance of Cities

In a sharp attack on Mayor Curley as "naturally an extravagant executive" who "has very little knowledge of sound economic principles," the Massachusetts Tax Association last night urged upon the Legislature that it ignore the Mayor's proposed increase of one dollar in Boston's tax limit and turn down his suggestion of spending \$40,000,000 for rapid transit extensions.

The communication to the Legislature deals with the proposals of Governor Ely for special taxes to help municipalities pay for poor relief, and while it recognizes the need of special new revenue at this time, because of the unusual burdens upon cities and towns, the association calls for legislation which will restrict municipalities in the future in their expenditures of money.

"If Mayor Curley had devoted his attention to economizing in the expenditures of Boston as earnestly as he has devoted his attention to plans for spending money," say the communication, "we should be more enthusiastic about giving him the relief which he seeks. In our judgment, he could have made large cuts in the city budget, in addition to those he has made, and thus saved money toward the deficit in the welfare department.

"Unfortunately, he is naturally an extravagant executive and he has very little knowledge of sound economic principles."

The letter of the association says that while the President, the Governor, the Secretary of the Treasury and many others have abandoned the idea of providing employment by large expendi-

tures for public works, "the Mayor of Boston has clung to this hopeless theory, and if he had his way our municipalities, already gasping from over-taxation, would be burdened for years to come with a debt which would necessitate further taxation far out of proportion to any relief that was given, in the process, to unemployment.

Subway Plan Example

"Mayor Curley's recent advocacy of additional subways for Boston, to be constructed at a cost of not less than \$40,000,000, is a fair example. He apparently has no idea that while he might thus give work to a comparatively few people, the result would be a staggering blow to hundreds of thousands of people, and would mean the ruin of many of them, and in the end it would be worse for the men to whom he gave employment."

The Tax Association's letter to the legislators also expresses disagreement with the recent statement of Alfred E. Smith, advocating the construction of public works.

"We have the greatest respect for the opinion of Governor Smith and consider him altogether worthy to be classed with our President, Governor, and Secretary of the Treasury, but in this particular instance we believe him to be in error."

The association takes the position that in order to help out real estate it would not be averse to having some additional taxes levied, for this year only, but these should be the taxes which will do the least harm. The letter expresses opposition to any increase in the rate on taxable incomes, either individual or corporate.

Poll Tax on Women

It suggests an increase in the head tax and a poll tax on women as the soundest from an economic standpoint.

"The tax itself would be so low as to create no real burden and it would have the great advantage of so broadening the base of taxation as to make every voter understand that he paid taxes and that drastic decreases in governmental costs would be to his benefit," the association says.

Taxes on such luxuries as cosmetics, confections, ice cream, tobacco, beverages, meals in public where the cost exceeds a given amount, are among the sources of new revenue which the association suggests.

"It must be emphasized, we believe, that if additional or new taxes are to be levied, they should be coupled with a severe warning to the municipalities that for the year 1933 they will have to put their own houses in order or expect no further help from the Commonwealth," the letter of the association continues.

In Houses of Cards

"We also believe that another year the Legislature should give serious attention to some form of State supervision and control over municipal expenditures, borrowings and assessments. In regard to assessments, it has been clearly demonstrated that many municipalities, among which Boston is a conspicuous example, are living in houses of cards. Wholesale abatements can be the only result, and this can only mean further serious embarrassment."

The letter to legislators is signed by Wendell D. Howie, executive secretary of the Massachusetts Tax Association, whose principal officers are Chandler Bullock of Worcester, president of the State Mutual Life Assurance Company; Alexander Whiteside, well known Boston attorney and corporation counsel during the administration of Andrew J. Peters as Mayor of Boston; Francis C. Gray, former chairman of the Boston school committee, and F. Winchester Denio, vice-president of the First National-Old Colony Corporation.

KEITH JUBILEE OPENS SATURDAY

Gala Evening to Mark Return of Vaudeville to Memorial

In connection with the Keith golden jubilee celebration, which begins in Boston Saturday, and which will usher in a complete change of policy to the two Boston theatres under the Radio-Keith-Orpheum banner, plans are completed for a gala evening performance, starting promptly at 7:30 at the New Keith Theatre, when vaudeville of the big-time variety, originated by the late B. F. Keith just 50 years ago, and which comes to Boston direct from the Palace Theatre in New York, will return to the theatre which was built not quite four years ago as a memorial to the founder by E. F. Albee, his friend and associate.

A mammoth program has been assembled by Harry McDonald, RKO divisional director of New England, which rivals in talent, music, gaiety and color a Ziegfeld production, and among those who will be present to join in the jubilee celebration of the reinauguration of vaudeville, the brand of entertainment that made the name of Keith famous throughout the world, will be Gov. Ely, with his official and private families; Mayor Curley and his party, city and state officials, members of the press, radio executives, Superintendent of Police Crowley, James Roosevelt and party, George Carpenter, and a long list of other notables.

Heading the first vaudeville program of seven of RKO's finest acts is none other than Ben Bernie and all his lads. The same old maestro whose suave wit and inimitable charm have made him No. 1 bandsman and entertainer before the public today. On Saturday evening Bernie will act as master of ceremonies both on the stage and in the main foyer, where he will be a one-man committee, broadcasting some of his witty greetings to old friends and new over NBC stations.

Other participating artists include Buster West and his company, Ada Brown, former co-star with Bill Robinson of "Brown Buddies"; Ferry Corwey, Baker's "Flashes of 1932"; Ryan and Noblette and the Three Aces. The feature picture will be "Radio Patrol," the widely discussed film which concerns the use of the most recent of police systems, that of employing the radio in automobiles to corner menaces lurking in the city at night. Robert Armstrong and Lila Lee head the splendid cast.

Giant Kleig lights will play upon the Washington street entrance of the theatre during the gorgeous and fitting "re-opening" of the world famous and beautiful house dedicated to the memory of Keith, and newsreel men, reporters and newspaper cameramen will "shoot" the prominent guests as they arrive.

The new policy at RKO Keith's will be four performances a day on a continuous basis, doors opening during the week at 10 A. M. The "continuous" policy was introduced for the first time by its creator, B. F. Keith, at his first theatre, which will be remembered by many as the Gaiety Theatre and Musee, located 50 years ago in a little store next to the old Adams House, formerly located less than 100 feet away from the

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Curley Urges Rapid Transit Extensions

Says Projects Would Provide Work for War Veterans— Hits Opponents of Plan

Enactment of the recommendations of the Metropolitan Transit Council for the construction of extensions to the rapid transit system of metropolitan Boston will provide employment for between 6000 and 7000 war veterans over a period of five years, Mayor Curley declared today before the legislative Committee on Metropolitan Affairs. The two improvements under consideration provide for the extension of the rapid transit facilities from Lechmere square in Cambridge to Davis square in Somerville, and from Arlington street in Boston to the vicinity of Brookline Village. The cost of the projects is estimated at \$40,000,000.

The Kenmore Square Project

Giving employment to 1500 men saved the city \$1,500,000, the mayor said, while if the new recommendation is accepted and the work started it will mean a saving of \$750,000 a year, which otherwise would have to be paid to the men under the terms of the soldiers' relief law.

Could Start Work in October

The work, the mayor said, could be started by the first of October of this year, a time when the heaviest drains come on the public welfare department of the city. In commenting upon the position taken by the Massachusetts Tax Association and the Boston Real Estate Exchange and other organizations on the subject of public improvements through bond issues, Mayor Curley attacked the methods pursued by the organizations and characterized them as of a "mean" variety. He referred to the defeat of legislation presented by him relative to the retirement of city employees, which, he added, if put into effect would have decreased the tax rate of Boston by about 52 per cent.

"I got in touch with the Boston Real Estate Exchange and the Boston Chamber of Commerce," he said, "and explained the legislation to them and they thought they were in favor of it. Later I learned, after its defeat, that they had surreptitiously fought the legislation, which finally was vetoed by the governor."

Attacks Tax Appeal Board

The mayor also launched an attack on the State Board of Tax Appeals, which, he said, has cost the taxpayers of Boston hundreds of thousands of dollars by its decisions. "With the ranks of the unemployed being increased, the revenues coming to the city treasury constantly diminishing by the resulting demands upon the public welfare department, I think the coming winter will be a black one and I tremble to think of what is going to happen if this thing continues to go on," he said.

When asked for his opinion as to what

the tax rate for the current year would be the mayor replied that he could not say until the Legislature has come to some decision as to what assistance is to be given to cities and towns to meet their relief demands. "This year," he said, "there will be about \$10,000,000 in uncollected taxes out of a total of \$61,000,000. And we are not going to sell the homes of people who cannot pay. We are not going to be in this valley of depression forever." Answering the attack which has been made upon him on his economic ability, the mayor said he would like to contrast his ability along this line, and his honesty, with those of his critics.

Representative Eliot Wardsworth of Boston, a member of the committee, questioned the accuracy of the estimate which placed the construction cost of the projects. He said the plans is the same as the one presented by Henry I. Harri-man of the Metropolitan Planning Division four years ago, when prices were much higher than at present. Senator Charles C. Warren of Arlington read a telegram sent to him by the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars and other veterans organizations supporting the legislation. Mayor John J. Murphy of Somerville also favored the proposed legislation.

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MAYOR UNABLE TO PREDICT TAX RATE

Urges a Favorable Report on Two Subway Extensions and Hits Real Estate Exchange

Every city in the state will be "sunk" unless the Legislature comes to their relief, Mayor Curley today warned the legislative committee on metropolitan affairs.

The mayor made this prediction after he informed the committee he could not tell what the Boston tax rate will be until the Legislature adjourned.

As a part of the relief program he urged a favorable report on the bill of the Metropolitan District Council for two subway extensions, one running out Huntington ave. and the other to Davis sq. Somerville, at a cost of \$40,000,000.

WORK FOR 7000

The two projects, he figured, would give work to some 6000 or 7000 heads of families for three or four years, materially decrease the drain on the city's resources in soldier's relief and public welfare aid and at the same time provide permanent improvements.

The Huntington ave. project, he said, would make possible the removal of the tracks from that street and give a broad thorough-

fare to connect with the new Worcester turnpike at Brookline Village.

SCORES EXCHANGE

If the city was to construct a boulevard to take the Worcester traffic into the city, he said, it would cost in the neighborhood of \$18,000,000.

The mayor bitterly scored the Boston Real Estate Exchange and the Massachusetts Tax Association. He said these two organizations blocked bills which he had before the Legislature to reduce the tax rate by 52 cents. He declared he had put every economy into effect that he could outside cutting the city salaries.

He blamed such men as Alexander Whiteside for the losing of immense sums by the city in abatements. Reading out another name, that of Frank D. Comerford, president of the New England Power Company, the Mayor remarked that that company has "capitalized everything from the birds that fly in the air to the pine cones that fall in their property."

Taking a fling at the "gamblers in State and Wall streets," the mayor said that "they never sat in to a game with honest dice in their lives."

The mayor praised the \$5,000,000 prosperity loan program sponsored by William Randolph Hearst, which he said had been endorsed by more than 50 leading economists in the country.

"They were unanimously in favor of that program for public works as the only way to end the industrial depression," he said.

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URGES \$40,000,000 TRANSIT PROGRAM

Curley Tells Committee Project Would Aid 7000 Veterans

The adoption of the plan of the trustees of the Metropolitan Transit District for the construction of subways to the extent of \$40,000,000 would mean work for 6000 or 7000 war veterans for a period of five years, Mayor Curley told the Legislative Committee on Metropolitan Affairs today. The Mayor also took occasion to reply to critics of his administration.

The committee had before it the report of the district trustees which was favored by the Metropolitan Transit Council, made up of Mayors and chairmen of boards of Selectmen in the district.

Mayor Curley said that in addition to bringing about this additional employment it would save the city of Boston directly the expenditure of \$750,000 a year which would have to be paid out if the men remained unemployed, for soldiers' relief.

The principal improvements under consideration include an extension of rapid transit facilities with a subway out Huntington av to South Huntington av, extension of the Boylston-st Subway, from Kenmore sq to Allston, extension of a rapid transit system from Lechmere sq to Davis sq, Somerville, and the construction of local subway connections between Park st and Bowdoin sq and in the South End.

The Lechmere-sq extension would pay for itself, said the Mayor. The Huntington-av extension would increase property valuations and make that thoroughfare a boulevard. The latter, he said, would be a connecting link for vehicular traffic with the Boston and Worcester superhighway.

Stresses Saving to City

Mayor Curley called the attention of the legislators to the fact that in 1930 they approved a proposal for a bond issue of about \$5,000,000 to finance the building of the Governor sq extension, saying that this provided work for 1500 men. This undertaking is rapidly nearing completion, so that 1000 of the 1500 have been laid off and the remainder will be discharged later in the year.

"That project, giving employment to these 1500 men, saved the city \$1,500,000, while if this recommendation is

accepted and the work started, it will mean a saving of \$750,000 a year, which otherwise would have to be paid to the men under the terms of the Soldiers' Relief law."

In the hearing room at the time the Mayor was talking were a number of unemployed war veterans, all in favor of the legislation.

As an illustration of what happens when the veterans are out of a job, the Mayor stated that as soon as some of the 1000 discharged were taken off the payroll they applied for relief under the Soldiers' Relief law.

Such a situation the Mayor characterized as unwise, inasmuch as the taxpayers' money, instead of being paid out in the relief, should be put into the building of public works, which would give relief to the veterans in a better way and at the same time give to the taxpayers something tangible in return for their money.

Citing the importance of meeting the situation brought about by the unemployment of war veterans, the Mayor stated that the increase in the expenditures of assisting this particular class in the community would be 200 percent greater in 1932 than it was in 1931.

Work Could Start in Fall

If the legislation is enacted immediately work on the improvement could be started by about October, the Mayor said. This is the time in which the heaviest drains come against the Welfare Department of the city, he went on.

In commenting upon the position taken by the Massachusetts Tax Association, the Boston Real Estate Exchange and other organizations on the subject of public improvements through bond issues, the Mayor attacked the methods he alleged are pursued by these organizations, characterizing them as of a "mean" variety.

He referred to the defeat of legislation presented by him relative to the retirement of city employees, which, if put on the statutes, would decrease the tax rate of Boston by about 52 percent, he said.

"I got in touch with the Boston Real Estate Exchange and the Boston Chamber of Commerce and explained the legislation to them and thought they were in favor of it," he said. "Later, I learned, after its defeat, that they had surreptitiously fought the legislation, which finally was vetoed by the Governor."

Ely and Curley Scored for Not Urging Economy

Massachusetts Tax Association Asks Legislators to Pass One- Year Tax Program

Governor Ely and Mayor Curley were both criticized for failing to economize in State and municipal expenditures in a letter sent yesterday to members of the Legislature by the Massachusetts Tax Association. The association pointed out that while Governor Ely has sent two messages to the Legislature asking for the imposition of special taxes, the revenue from which would be used to lighten the burden of cities and towns, he has made no recommendation to the municipalities to reduce their expenditures before asking aid from the State.

The legislators were asked to support a one-year program of special taxes on such commodities as cosmetics, confections, ice cream, tobacco and hotel and restaurant meals as well as a poll or head tax on women, in preference to higher taxes on incomes or real estate.

"If Mayor Curley had devoted his attention to economizing in the expenditures of Boston as earnestly as he has devoted his attention to plans for spending money, we should be more enthusiastic about giving him the relief which he seeks," the letter said.

It is the opinion of the tax association that the mayor should have made large curtailments in the city budget in addition to those effective.

"Unfortunately he is naturally an extravagant executive and he has very little knowledge of sound economic principles," the letter said.

The criticism of the governor and the mayor accompanied a request that the Legislature refuse Mayor Curley authority to increase the Boston tax rate \$1 a thousand, which the association fears he may seek to do if the program for special taxation now before the General Court fails to be enacted.

In support of his proposal for an additional program of public works construction to relieve unemployment, which the association also opposes, the mayor said that the only alternative to such a program was the institution of the dole system throughout the State.

"If there is anyone who can suggest a better method of meeting the situation, I and every other head of a municipality in this country would be glad to hear of it," said Mr. Curley. "But at the present time and since the beginning of the world there has been no answer to unemployment but work and wages. When it is not possible to supply work and wages it is necessary to resort to the dole."

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TAX ASSOCIATION SCORES CURLEY

Asks Legislature Refuse \$1 Boost in Taxes—Work or Dole, He Replies

Dismissing as unimportant a communication by the Massachusetts Tax Association which charges him with being "naturally an extravagant executive," with "little knowledge of sound economic principles," Mayor Curley last night said that he would make no answer until he knew the full message. He said that the association didn't "amount to very much."

The association message concerned tax problems and was sent to the members of the Legislature. The criticism of Mayor Curley and of the idea of a program of public works to relieve unemployment was followed by the request that the Legislature refuse Mayor Curley authority to increase the Boston tax rate by \$1, which, the association said, he may ask if the Legislature fails to adopt special emergency taxes.

Dole Alternative, Says Mayor

Concerning a public works program, Mayor Curley said that communities are faced with a choice between the absolute dole and a system of public works that will at least give the people some earning power.

He criticized the dole and said that "the public works program provides not only an opportunity for the people to earn the money necessary for food and existence but it also results in the creation of permanent works that have a value to the community."

"If there is anyone," continued the Mayor, "who can suggest a better method of meeting the situation, I and every other head of a municipality in this country would be glad to hear of it. But at the present time and since the beginning of the world, there has been no answer to unemployment but work and wages. When it is impossible to supply work and wages, it is necessary to resort to the dole."

Urge Poll Tax on Women

In its long communication to the Legislature the association guardedly and "regretfully" expressed its realization of the need of additional taxes for this year only for the sake of relieving the burden on real estate.

The association opposes higher rates on taxable incomes, either individual or corporate, but suggests a poll tax on women or an increase in the head tax and taxes on cosmetics, confections, ice cream, tobacco and meals in public when the cost exceeds a given amount.

The communication points out that although Gov. Ely has sent to the Legislature two messages urging special taxes, he did not couple his requests with emphatic and sound advice to municipalities that they should cut down their expenditures drastically before seeking State aid.

Charge Extravagance

The association says it understands that Mayor Curley will ask for authority to increase the Boston tax rate by \$1 if the Legislature fails to adopt special emergency taxes. The statement concedes that the city is spending large sums of money for unemployment relief, and that the Mayor faces a serious financial situation. The association goes on:

"If Mayor Curley had devoted his attention to economizing in the expenditures of Boston as earnestly as he has devoted his attention to plans for spending money, we should be more enthusiastic about giving him the relief which he seeks. In our judgment, he could have made large cuts in the city budget in addition to those he has made and thus saved money toward the deficit in the Welfare Department. Unfortunately, he is naturally an extravagant executive and he has very little knowledge of sound economic principles."

Cite a 40-Million Subway

"While our President, our Governor, the Secretary of our Treasury, the Federal Reserve Board, the heads of the Reconstruction Corporation, the leaders of our Legislature, and, generally speaking, the wisest of our public men, our business leaders, and our political economists have abandoned the theory, which was somewhat prevalent in 1931, that relief to unemployment could be feasibly granted by the construction of large public works, which President Hoover describes as of a non-income producing character, the Mayor of Boston has clung to this hopeless theory, and if he had his way, our municipalities, already gasping from over-taxation, would be burdened for years to come with a debt which would necessitate further taxation far out of proportion to any relief that was given, in the process, to unemployment."

"Mayor Curley's recent advocacy of additional subways for Boston, to be constructed at a cost of not less than \$40,000,000, is a fair example. He apparently has no idea that while he might thus give work to a comparatively few people, the result would be a staggering blow to hundreds of thousands of people, and would mean the ruin of many of them, and in the end it would be worse for the men to whom he gave employment."

Believe Smith in Error

"We realize that Alfred E. Smith has just issued a statement advocating the construction of public works and taking issue in some degree with President Hoover. We have the great-

est respect for the opinion of Mr. Smith, and consider him altogether worthy to be classed with our President, Governor and Secretary of the Treasury, but in this particular instance we believe him to be in error. "For these reasons we trust the Mayor's bill for an additional dollar on Boston's tax limit will not receive the favorable consideration of the Committee on Rules under any circumstances."

The association approves the bill, reported by the Committee on Municipal Finance, providing machinery for taking care of the needs of any municipalities which may find themselves in serious financial condition before the session of the Legislature in 1933.

CURLEY FAVORS TRANSIT PLAN

Shows How Improvement of System Would Provide More Jobs

Mayor Curley was the chief speaker today before the legislative committee on metropolitan affairs on the report of the Metropolitan transit council, which has recommended an extension of transit facilities from South Huntington avenue to Day square, East Boston, and from Harvard avenue, Allston, to Davis square, Somerville, both in connection with the present subway and tunnel systems.

The mayor, who is chairman of the council, stated that the project will afford opportunity to employ 6000 to 8000 war veterans for a period of five years and will make a large saving in soldiers' aid expenditures.

Senator Warren of Arlington, chairman of the committee, read telegrams in favor from the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Spanish War Veterans, and the A. F. of L., urging the legislation as a mean of affording employment.

CURLEY TO ATTEND DETROIT CONFERENCE

Mayor Curley yesterday accepted an invitation to attend the congress of American Mayors which will be held next Wednesday at Detroit for the purpose of sponsoring federal legislation seeking to aid the cities of the country in providing adequate relief for the poor and the unemployed.

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ASK NEW TAXES FOR YEAR ONLY

Mass. Tax Ass'n Calls Curley 'Naturally Extravagant' Mayor

TOBACCO IMPOST, HEAD LEVY LOOM

The imposition of some new taxes for this year only was advocated yesterday by the Massachusetts Tax Association in a communication to legislators in which Gov. Ely was chided for failure to emphasize the necessity of reducing municipal expenditures and in which Mayor Curley was attacked for his extravagance.

"If Mayor Curley," the statement read, "had devoted his attention to economizing in the expenditures of Boston as earnestly as he has devoted his attention to plans for spending money we should be more enthusiastic about giving him the relief which he seeks. Unfortunately, he is naturally an extravagant executive and he has very little knowledge of sound economic principles."

The statement was distributed among the legislators at a time when members of the committees on ways and means and taxation, sitting jointly, were grappling with the situation created by the Governor's demand for the enlargement of the current taxation program as a means of obtaining relief for municipalities heavily laden with unprecedented public welfare expenditures.

HOLDS CONFERENCE

The Governor discussed the situation at considerable length during the course of an afternoon conference with President Bacon of the Senate and Speaker Saltonstall of the House. Some definite proposals are expected to be recommended to the Legislature today by the two committees.

A sub-committee assigned to draft a bill considered the various taxation proposals before them, including excises on tobacco, soft drinks and amusements, increases in the state income and gasoline taxes, a head tax and wage reductions for state employees.

Although no authoritative information was available because of the indefiniteness of the situation, the desire to guard its deliberations closely, it is believed that its report will recommend a tobacco tax for one year and a head tax with a possible increase in the gasoline tax. There is scant chance of a recommendation to increase the income tax.

The main committee heard opponents to the imposition of new taxes explain their reasons for opposing the Governor's proposals at morning and afternoon sessions.

GOODWIN'S SUGGESTION

Frank A. Goodwin suggested that a levy be placed on intangibles as had been recommended by the special recess commission on taxation in 1930, while Representative Henry Achin of Lowell advocated a reduction of legislators' salaries as a start toward cutting down budgets.

William J. Day of South Boston, spokesman for 238 beverage companies, told the committee that the imposition of a tax on their industry would result in driving many of them to other states while Gen. Edward L. Logan declared that the placing of a tax on amusements would force many of the theatres now operating to close down.

Thomas Hunt, representing the Canada Dry Ginger Ale Company, openly stated that the imposition of a beverage tax would result in the immediate transfer of his company's Massachusetts plant to another state. Hugh J. McMackin said that 83 bottling concerns located near the state's border lines would remove their industries to other states.

ASSOCIATION SUGGESTIONS

The Massachusetts Tax Association readily recognized the need for some taxes as a means of relieving "the intolerable burden on real estate," but it refused to approve the Governor's entire program. It suggested an increase in the existing head tax and a poll tax on women to broaden the base of taxation.

It could find no hardship in inflicting taxes on cosmetics, confections, ice cream, tobacco, beverages and meals in public at a cost exceeding some specified amount.

The tax association predicted that in the event of failure to pass some special taxation legislation, Mayor Curley would go to the Legislature with a request that he be permitted to increase the Boston tax limit an additional dollar for this year.

Its statement dismissed the mayor's advocacy of public works expansion for unemployment relief purposes as unsound. In continuing its attack on him the statement read:

CITES EXAMPLE

"The mayor of Boston has clung to this hopeless theory and if he had his way our municipalities, already gasping from overtaxation, would be burdened for years to come with a debt which would necessitate further taxation far out of proportion to any relief that was given in the process to unemployment.

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The statement approved the pending bill to provide some form of state supervision and control over municipal expenditures, borrowings and assessments.

CURLEY BACKS ELY TAX PLAN

Mayor Curley will continue to support the tax program proposed by Governor Ely "without comment" until after final approval, the Mayor said today in answer to queries as to his position on tax legislation now pending.

"There is no means of determining," the Mayor said, "what the final action of the legislature will be on matters affecting the tax rate now being considered by its members."

"With a recognition of the cities and towns of the Commonwealth and of additional funds to meet the increased obligations due to unemployment, I have supported the program as presented by Governor Ely and shall continue to do so, and will have no comment to make after final approval has been given to legislation now pending."

KELLEY NAMED CHIEF MARSHAL

Mayor Curley has approved the appointment of Commander Timothy J. Kelley of the Colonel Bogan Camp, United Spanish War Veterans, to serve as chief marshal of the military and civic Bunker Hill Day parade at Charlestown, June 17.

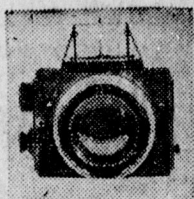
Not only did the chief marshal serve at Havana Harbor with the United States navy in the Spanish war, but he also saw action in the Philippines and in China. With his wife and three children he now lives at 10 Cedar st., Charlestown.

The Mayor also announced the appointment of John Morey of the Bogan Camp to serve as chief of staff of the parade.

Charles Castor was named chairman of the Bunker Hill Day celebration committee, and Representative William P. Prendergast was appointed to serve as master of ceremonies at the "night before" banquet.

Greeting Visitors

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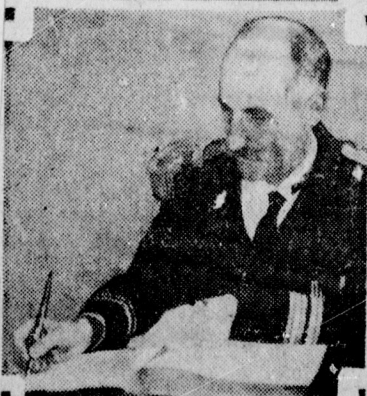


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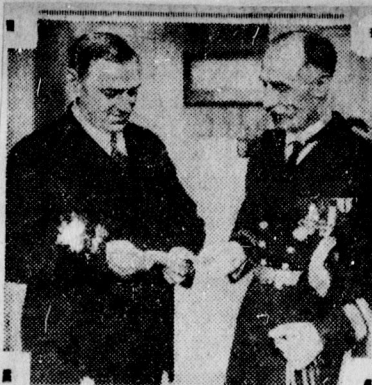
It all happened at the Mayor's Office at City Hall. The Mayor and I had a busy day. I was sitting around when word was received by the photographer who had me in charge that the French consul was on his way to the Mayor's office with officers of the French sloop-of-war Ville D'ys. Here's what happened.



I came in the door of the Mayor's private office, and saw this man with the Mayor. He is J. C. Joseph Flammand, the French consul, who was on hand to introduce the officers to Mayor Curley.



The introduction over, Capt. Maurice Griblin, who is in command of the Ville D'ys, now in Boston waters, sat down to sign the Mayor's guest book and I let the shutter fall.



Then the Mayor and Capt. Griblin got real friendly. The Mayor said: "Whenever you're in Boston, drop in on us. If it's late at night, don't let that stop you, because here's the key to the front door of our city." And thus, the Captain received the key.



Now then, it happened that Conchita Montenegro, actress, was also supposed to be greeted by His Honor. After being welcomed by the Mayor, the movie star got real chummy with Junior Lieut. J. P. E. Burmand. They're looking over a photo of George Washington that the Mayor presented to the actress. (Staff Photos.)

Tunnel Extension

People's Editor:

I recently wrote a letter to the Traveler, stating that the \$3,000,000 widening of approaches to the tunnel now being driven from the North end to East Boston were not needed for the local North end traffic and would not help the situation for the through traffic in the congested centre, but would make it worse. I stated that the plan of continuing the tunnel under the hill beyond the congested district should be gone into.

Mr. Thomas F. Sullivan, chairman of the Boston transit commission, has replied to this, practically acknowledging that these widenings would not relieve central congestion but were merely a preliminary expense to a through artery, and stating that the solution by tunnelling had been considered and rejected as too expensive.

As to the alternative of continuing the tunnel, I am informed on good engineering authority that the material to be traversed under the city is, in general, good for tunnelling rather than otherwise; that the expense of air locks would not be required for most of the distance and that, if carried under or away from existing sewers, water pipes, etc., there is no presumption that the cost would be prohibitive. A through surface artery would entail immensely expensive takings, and there is general agreement that because of intersections its efficiency is small compared with a through route.

We need more definite figures as to comparative costs from Col. Sullivan.

Also, with due respect to the conclusions of Col. Sullivan, and his eminent advisers, who all seem to belong to the surface widening school of thought, before we get into this huge expense, we need estimates from a fresh and unprejudiced engineering force. Gov. Ely might confer a great service if he would consult one or two such engineers. I can assure him that he would not find Col. Sullivan's generalities accepted without question.

Boston.

R. M. BRADLEY.

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His Honor Honors French Warship Officers

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Welcome to visiting officers of French warship Ville d'Ys was extended yesterday by Mayor James M. Curley, left, at City Hall. He presents souvenir books of city to Capt. Maurice Gribbin, second left, and Junior-Lieut. J. P. E. Burnaud, second right. French Consul J. C. Joseph Flammand, right, presented them.

AMERICAN 5/27/32

CONRY TO START LIGHT SIGNALS

Traffic Commissioner Conry and other city officials will dedicate the new \$27,000 extension to the traffic light system tomorrow at Massachusetts ave. and Tremont st., South End.

One "arm" of the new section extends from that point to Berkeley and Tremont sts., the other to Southampton and Massachusetts ave.

"Death corners" at West Newton and Tremont sts. and Massachusetts ave. and Washington st. are protected in the extension.

AMERICAN 5/27/32

HEALTH UNIT TO COST \$299,000 IS AWARDED

Matthew J. Cummings was today awarded a contract for construction of the new Roxbury health unit of the George Robert White Fund, at a cost of \$299,000, by Mayor Curley.

The building is to be erected on land purchased by the city recently on the site bounded by Downing, Vernon, Hampshire and Whittier sts., Roxbury.

The structure, a five-story affair, including basement, will be constructed of red brick and limestone and will be designed in the Georgian period.

Dental, pre-natal and baby clinics will be housed there, as will offices for nurses. An auditorium equipped with movie machines will occupy a section of the second floor, and on the fourth will be a large glass enclosed area to be used as classrooms for children of pre-school age.

FRENCH CAPTAIN MEETS CURLEY

Capt. Maurice Griblin of the French sloop-of-war Ville d'Ys; his aide, Junior-Lieut. J. P. E. Burnard, and Conchita Montenegro, Spanish film actress, were Mayor Curley's guests at City Hall today.

The French officers, whose vessel arrived yesterday, were accompanied to City Hall by J. C. Joseph Flammand, French consul. Miss Montenegro is appearing at the Metropolitan Theater.

Mayor Curley presented a key to the city to Capt. Griblin, and Miss Montenegro gave the mayor a pair of Spanish rosary beads.

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CONTRACT TO CUMMINGS CO

Bid on Last White Health
Unit, Roxbury, \$299,000

Matthew Cummings Company, Inc., was today awarded the contract for the erection of the seventh and last health unit under the terms of the will of George Robert White. His bid was \$299,000. With equipment, the building, which will be in Roxbury, will cost about \$400,000. The contract was awarded at a meeting of the White Fund committee, Mayor James M. Curley, chairman.

To make way for the new unit, several old and unsightly tenement houses were razed, according to Mayor Curley.

The building will be on a lot containing 85,700 sq. ft., bounded by Whittier, Hampshire, Vernon and Downing sts., Roxbury, purchased at a cost of \$58,000. One-half of this area has been set aside for a playground, and, thus, with the building located on the other half, there will be for all time free open spaces on all sides. The principal entrance will be from Whittier st.

Five stories in height, including the basement, the building as planned will be 64 feet in width by 120 in depth. The exterior will be of red brick and limestone, designed in the Georgian period of architecture. The main entrance will open through a vestibule into a lobby around which are arranged the stairs and elevator, rooms for the dental clinic, information, sanitary inspector and the children's waiting room. Beyond the lobby will be the main waiting room, from which will open the public toilet rooms, the doctors' office, and at the rear, a room to be used for the baby prenatal and tubercular clinic.

The Health Department nurses also will have a room on this floor and there will be a complete service for fluoroscop and radiography. The basement will contain a cafeteria with kitchen, the boiler room and storage room, also lockers and toilets for the staff of the building.

Ascending the stairs to the second floor one will enter a lobby from which will open an auditorium, seating 200 persons and provided with stage and motion picture equipment. The rest of the second floor and the larger part of the third floor will be given over to offices of the organizations working in the community which are related to the activities served on the first floor.

The fourth floor will contain a large glass-roofed and enclosed space to be used for conducting classes for pre-school age children.

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\$400,000 HEALTH UNIT FOR ROXBURY

Will Be Built at Whittier and
Hampshire Streets

The contract for the construction of the seventh and last health unit from the George Robert White fund, to be located in Roxbury, was awarded today to the Matthew Cummings Company, Inc., whose bid was \$299,000.

The site, at Whittier, Hampshire, Vernon and Downing streets, cost \$58,000. The total cost of the unit, including equipment and site, will be \$400,000. The building will be five stories, 120 by 64, of red brick and limestone, and similar in style to the more recent units. One half of the lot on which the unit will be erected will be devoted to playground purposes.

The income of the White fund will now be allowed to accumulate for such purposes as may be legally used.

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KEEP L ST. BATHS OPEN TO 9 O'CLOCK

The L street municipal bath-house and bathing beach were kept open last night until 9 o'clock by order of Mayor Curley. He also directed Park Commissioner Long to keep the resort open on other hot nights that may come before the official opening, June 15. The bath-house at Revere Beach was opened at noon yesterday, although June 11 is the date of the scheduled opening for the season.

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RESTORING FAMOUS OLD ROXBURY HOUSE

Restoration of the old Dillaway House at Roxbury, which served as headquarters for Washington's artillery officers in the American Revolution, was started yesterday at a cost of \$15,000 orders from Mayor Curley.

The Mayor appointed Frank Chouteau Brown, Boston architect, to supervise the work of restoration which will be speeded up so that the building may be reopened to the public and dedicated as a feature of the George Washington bicentennial celebration, July 4.

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CITY EMPLOYEES FACE NEW LEVY

Equivalent of 10 P. C. Cut for
Welfare Work Looms

City and county employees who have been assessed \$540,000 by the deduction of one day's pay monthly for a period of five months as their contribution to the extraordinary costs of the public welfare department, face a far heavier assessment for the remainder of the year which may be equivalent to a 10 per cent. salary reduction.

They constitute a source from which it may be held necessary to obtain money which will be urgently needed during the latter months of the year, unless the Legislature provides in a temporary tax program, a much greater measure of relief to financially stricken municipalities than is now contemplated.

The five months' period during in which a day's pay has been taken each month from the earnings of all city and county officials and employees will end next month. There is no prospect that they will be relieved of further contributions and every indication points to a substantial increase in the basis of computing deductions.

To May 1, the welfare department spent \$4,030,000 of an appropriation of \$7,000,000. Expenditures for soldiers' relief have shown a similar trend with prospects that at least \$1,000,000 will be the minimum which this department must have to meet demands of the year.

The most conservative estimate of the financial requirements of the welfare department is \$12,000,000 and constantly mounting expenditures disclose that such a prediction is too conservative unless there is a radical change in conditions during the coming six months.

The mayor cannot exceed the \$1.00 limit. Utilization of this limit will result in a deficiency which may reach \$1,000,000. It is not a remote possibility that all municipal and county workers be compelled to contribute more generously than a day's pay per month.

What the mayor must do is depend on the legislative action on the temporary tax program. Until it definitely know what additional revenue will be forthcoming from new state taxes, the financial situation in Boston will continue to be a far more serious problem than is generally realized.

FINAL WHITE UNIT BID IS AWARDED

Income Now to Accumulate
For General Benefit

Completion within 20 days of the seventh and final George Robert White health unit, to be erected in Roxbury, for which a contract for \$299,000 awarded yesterday to Matthew Cummings Company, Inc., will permit accumulation of the income from \$5,000,000 White fund until it is terminated for what general municipal benefit it will be utilized.

Mayor Curley believes that the income should be allowed to accumulate until it will meet the cost of a \$5,000,000 municipal auditorium to serve as a memorial to Boston's world war dead. No other suggestion of the use of the income has thus far been formally made.

The Roxbury unit, a five-story building of brick and limestone, will occupy about one-half of the tract of 85,000 square feet in the square bounded by Whittier, Hampshire, Vernon and Downing streets, with the structure fronting on Whittier street.

The adjoining land will be developed into a playground. Specifications of the interior arrangements are very similar to the layout of the more recent health units.

With the construction of the Roxbury building, health officials believe that the needs of the city will be adequately served.

In the selection of the Cummings firm, two lower bidders were disregarded. J. Poorvu Construction Company offered to build the unit for \$298,000 in 220 working days, and J. A. Singarella Company submitted a bid of \$298,700 and guaranteed completion in 200 days.

The lowest bid was ignored because it had not been recently originated. Singarella was sidestepped because he has several municipal projects upon which he is engaged.

TO REMODEL DILLAWAY HOUSE

Frank Choteau Brown was designated by Mayor Curley yesterday to plan the remodeling of the Dillaway house, Roxbury, the headquarters of the artillery officers of Washington's army. The city council has made available \$15,000 with which to remodel and preserve the historic building.

See Special Session to Aid Cities

**Predict 15 Municipalities Will
Be Unable to Open Schools
in October**

**May Force Creation
of Finance Board**

**Failure of Legislature to Act
Now Means \$1.25 to \$1.50
Tax Rise on Real Estate**

By Richard D. Grant

Failure of the Legislature to agree at the present sitting to a tax program that will bring in a substantial amount of revenue for distribution among the cities and towns of the Commonwealth or create administrative machinery for bolstering municipal credit in cases where local governments are in financial difficulties, will bring three major developments, according to close students of taxation and finance. These, in order of respective importance, are as follows:

- 1.—That a large number of Massachusetts municipalities, possibly as many as fifteen, will be unable to open their schools in October.
- 2.—That the necessity for obtaining additional working capital will result in a general increase in the tax on real estate of between \$1.25 and \$1.50 per thousand of valuation through the State.
- 3.—That to meet the emergency, Governor Ely will be forced to call another special session of the General Court during the height of the political campaign.

To meet this impending crisis there are two alternatives. The first is to pass a comprehensive program of additional taxation that will bring in upwards of \$10,000,000 for local distribution. The other is to enact legislation similar to that proposed by the Committee on Municipal Finance in reporting a bill for the creation of an emergency State finance commission for a three-year period, with power to advance the credit of the Commonwealth to cities and towns unable to extricate themselves from their financial troubles by their own efforts, with the condition that the municipality thus aided place its affairs entirely in the hands of the commission.

Neither method appears to have much support among the legislators. On the contrary there is said to be considerable sentiment for the contraction of such heavy additional obligation as the \$40,000,000 bond issue sought by Mayor James M. Curley and other members of the Metropolitan transit council for extensions of the Elevated subway system. It is not beyond the realm of possibility that a majority of the members of the legislative Committee on Metropolitan Affairs may vote to report it favorably, and this in the face of the clear-cut

statement before the committee by H. Ware Barnum, counsel to the trustees of the Elevated, that the railway could not carry the load which could only bring about the assessment of huge additional deficits upon the car riders of the Boston Metropolitan district.

Head Tax Seems Doomed

It seems safe to assume that the legislative body will pass at most, legislation embodying only a small part of the program reported by the joint Committee on Taxation and Ways and Means. The head tax is probably doomed in the House. And if it goes down to defeat through the unwillingness of the Democratic contingent to support it, the Republicans will refuse to support the proposed levies on income and corporations. The suggested increase in the tax on gasoline may pass the lower branch but will meet stiff opposition in the Senate.

The proposal to impose a two-cent tax on each package of twenty cigarettes will likewise encounter much hostility in the upper branch and is none too sure of passing the House, notwithstanding the closeness of the vote by which a bill providing a tax on all tobacco products was defeated there earlier this week. Senator George G. Moyse of Waltham, chairman of the joint Committee on Ways and Means and a conspicuous dissenter on all of the tax recommendations of the joint committee, will raise a point of order against it on the ground that it was "smuggled" out of the committee, which had previously reported against it. The chairman's position will be strengthened by the support of Senators Donald W. Nicholson of Wareham and Cornelius F. Haley of Rowley, comprising a majority of the members of Senate Ways and Means. In addition, Senator Erland F. Fish of Brookline, the Republican floor leader and chairman of the Committee on Taxation, is also against the cigarette tax, as are Senators James J. Twohig of South Boston and Charles A. Stevens of Lowell, both members of the taxation committee.

There is a strong possibility that, notwithstanding the refusal of the House to entertain any of the numerous proposals for reducing either the salaries of all State employees or those which they themselves receive, the members may see fit to adopt a six per cent cut when the proposal again comes before them. The movement to reduce salaries has gained considerable ground in the last two weeks and will undoubtedly get further impetus from the impending failure of the tax legislation.

At Least \$10,000,000 Needed

Even if one or two of the taxes suggested are adopted, however, it will not be enough to stall off the collapse of some city governments now perilously near the edge. It would take at least ten million to keep the structure of municipal finance out of danger.

The bill reported by the Committee on

Municipal Finance for the creation of a special commission to administer the affairs of the embarrassed communities would save the situation but its provisions are considered too drastic by most of the legislators who have expressed themselves on the subject. For one it would allow 500 citizens of a large city to bring the city administration before the Supreme Judicial Court to expound why it should not be compelled to place itself in the hands of the Finance board.

Even if the city thus petitioned was solvent and in no immediate danger of financial disaster, the opponents of the bill claim, it could be subjected to embarrassment by the proceedings possibly with adverse effect upon its credit. And it is also being pointed out that to give such a privilege to a small body of citizens would vest in those opposed to the city officials a tremendous political advantage. It amounts to much the same thing as the filing of a bankruptcy petition against an individual, whose reputation is frequently damaged by the filing of a suit against him, even when he is able to defend it successfully.

Would Affect State Credit

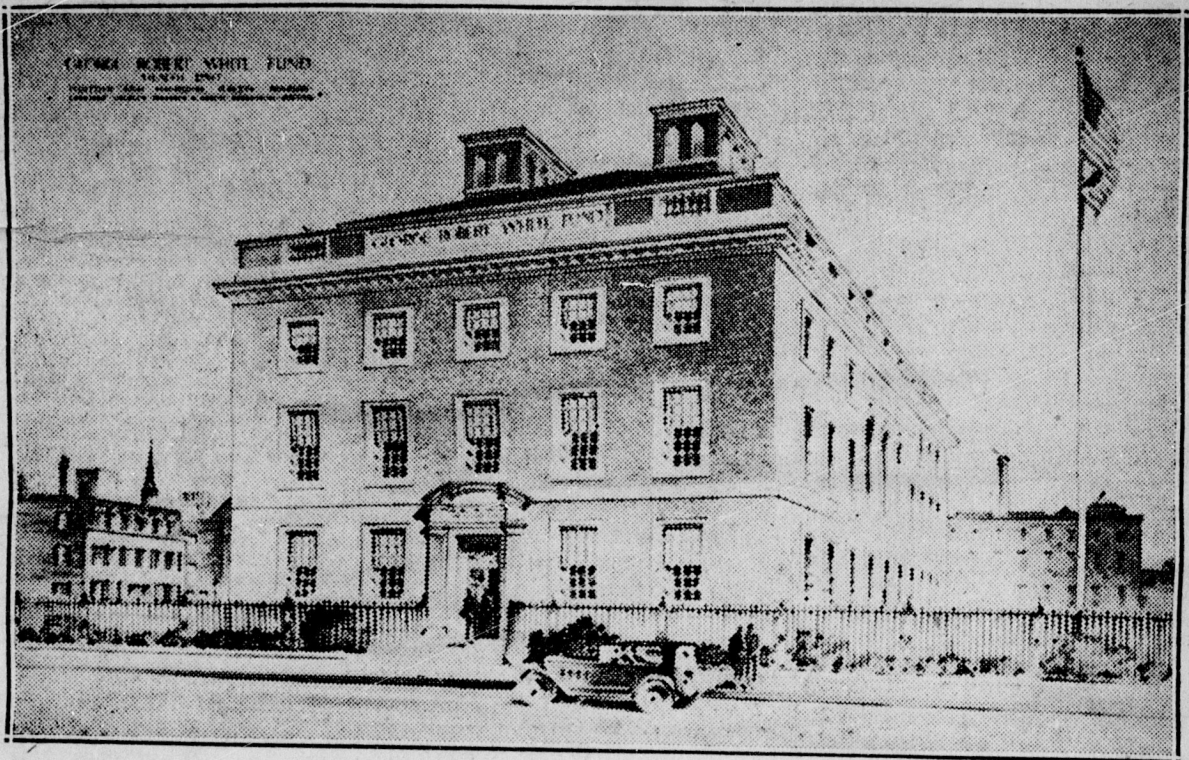
Other objections are that the bill would give the governor too much power, inasmuch as he would be the controlling factor in the appointment of the members of such a finance commission and that, in the opinion of some, it is an entering wedge for the ultimate centralization of all governmental authority in the State. It is also contended that the plan would eventually weaken the credit of the Commonwealth as a whole, on the theory that a chain is no stronger than its weak links.

It is obvious notwithstanding that the State has a responsibility in the matter and an undeniable truth that many of the cities would not be in the present discomforting situation if the Legislature had not, in years past, been so free to consent to excessive local borrowing.

It is the view of certain legislative leaders that if relief eventually takes the form of a gift, as by the imposition of special taxes, there will still exist a desire on the part of municipal authorities to spend their money before they get it and with this will be coupled the confidence that, if they get in another hole, the State will dig down to make good. If it comes in line with the proposal of the Municipal Finance Committee for a virtual dictatorship by a hard-headed group of three triumvirs, concerned only with the balancing of budgets, it will create a situation far from ideal but will at least have a penalizing effect which should make those affected more careful in the selection of those who head their municipal governments.

If it becomes necessary for Governor Ely to call a special legislative session in the fall, it will raise havoc with the campaigns for reelection of the legislators and may affect his own political fortunes. But both the governor and the Legislature are confronted with a condition of fact which political theories can be of little help in bettering.

Largest Health Unit Has a Playground



Keen Competition for This Roxbury Contract

George Robert White Trustees Award It to the Matthew Cummings Company at \$299,000—Building to Be Erected on Lot Bounded by Whittier, Hampshire, Vernon and Downing Streets, and May Be the Last Under Fund

By action today of the George Robert White Fund trustees, the contract for the seventh, and perhaps the last health unit to be erected under that foundation, was awarded to the Matthew Cummings Company, the lowest of twenty bidders, at \$299,000. The building will stand on a lot containing 85,700 feet of land, bounded by Whittier, Hampshire, Vernon and Downing streets, Roxbury, purchased at a cost of \$58,000. One-half of this area will be set aside for a playground and thus with the building erected on the other half there will be for all time free open spaces on all sides. The principal entrance will be from Whittier street.

Five stories in height, including the

basement, the building as planned will be 64 feet in width by 120 in depth. The exterior will be of red brick and limestone, designed by Coolidge, Shepley, Bulfinch & Abbott, in the Georgian period. The main entrance will open through a vestibule into a lobby around which are arranged the stairs and elevator, rooms for the dental clinic, information, sanitary inspector and children's waiting room. Beyond the lobby will be the main waiting room from which will open the public toilet rooms, the doctors' office and, at the rear, a room to be used for the baby, prenatal and tubercular clinic.

The health department nurses also will have a room on this floor and there

will be a complete service for fluoroscopy and radiography. The basement will contain a cafeteria, with kitchen, boiler room and storage room, also lockers and toilets for the staff.

Ascending the stairs to the second floor one will enter a lobby from which will open an auditorium to seat 200 persons and provided with a stage and motion-picture equipment. The rest of the second floor and the larger part of the third floor will be given over to offices of the organizations working in the community which are related to the activities served on the first floor. The fourth floor will contain a large glass-roofed and enclosed space to be used for conducting classes of pre-school age children.

TRAVELER 5/28/32

KEITH JUBILEE ON TOMORROW

Gala Evening to Mark Re-
turn of Vaudeville
At Memorial

FOUR CONTINUOUS SHOWS DAILY NOW

In connection with the Keith golden jubilee celebration, which begins in Boston Saturday, and which will usher in a complete change of policy to the two Boston theatres under the Radio-Keith-Orpheum banner, plans are completed for a gala evening performance, starting promptly at 7:30 at the New Keith Theatre, when vaudeville of the big-time variety, originated by the late B. F. Keith just 50 years ago, and which comes to Boston direct from the Palace Theatre in New York, will return to the theatre which was built not quite four years ago as a memorial to the founder by E. F. Albee, his friend and associate.

A mammoth program has been assembled by Harry McDonald, RKO divisional director of New England, which rivals in talent, music, gayety and color a Ziegfeld production, and among those who will be present to join in the jubilee celebration of the reinauguration of vaudeville, the brand of entertainment that made the name of Keith famous throughout the world, will be Gov. Ely, with his official and private families; Mayor Curley and his party, city and state officials, members of the press, radio executives, Superintendent of Police Crowley, James Roosevelt and party, George Carpenter, and a long list of other notables.

Heading the first vaudeville program of seven of RKO's finest acts is none other than Ben Bernie and all his lads, the same old maestro whose suave wit and inimitable charm have made him No. 1 bandsman and entertainer before the public today. On Saturday evening Bernie will act as master of ceremonies both on the stage and in the main foyer, where he will be a one-man committee, broadcasting some of his witty greetings to old friends and new over NBC stations.

Other participating artists include Buster West and his company, Ada Brown, former co-star with Bill Robinson of "Brown Buddies"; Ferry Corwey, Baker's "Flashes of 1932"; Ryan and Noblette and the Three Aces. The feature picture will be "Radio Patrol," the widely discussed film which concerns the use of the most recent of police systems, that of employing the radio in automobiles to corner menaces lurking in the city at night. Robert Armstrong and Lila Lee head the splendid cast.

HERALD 5/28/32

CURLEY ATTACKED ON TUNNEL BIDS

S. R. Goodwin Says Contract
Awarded Irregularly

Samuel R. Goodwin, former political ally of Mayor Curley, turned savagely on the mayor yesterday and charged him with responsibility for an alleged irregular transaction in having awarded a \$350,000 contract for the construction of one section of the East Boston tunnel without advertising it for open competitive bids.

Goodwin was before the legislative committee on metropolitan affairs at the State House to oppose the bill to authorize the construction of rapid transit extensions in the metropolitan district at a cost estimated to be in excess of \$40,000,000.

The mayor previously had advocated the proposed extensions as a greatly needed public works project which would increase property valuations in the sections affected, provide employment for 6000 to 7000 idle workmen over a period of five years and keep down public welfare relief expenditures.

Goodwin protested against any procedure which would permit the mayor to spend any such amount of money. He accused the mayor of being in collusion with Frank A. Goodwin, Boston finance commission chairman, in putting over the East Boston contract award with a resultant loss of \$150,000 to the city.

In answer to the attempt of Senator James J. Twohig of South Boston to learn Goodwin's motive for attacking the mayor the witness stated that the break in political relations between them came in the recent presidential primary election when he refused to obey the mayor's demand that he support Gov. Roosevelt instead of Alfred E. Smith.

The rapid transit extensions under consideration are subways to run under Commonwealth avenue from Harvard avenue to Governor square and under Huntington avenue from South Huntington avenue to Copley square and high speed surface facilities from Lechmere square to North Cambridge or Arlington.

During his appearance before the committee the mayor defended himself vigorously against the attacks directed at him by the Massachusetts Tax Association and the Boston Real Estate Exchange. He was not present when Goodwin opened fire on him.

COMMANDER CALLS ON MAYOR CURLEY

Comdr. G. M. Gebelin of the French dispatch boat V. d'Ys, which is in port until May 31, paid his respects to Mayor Curley at City Hall today. He was accompanied by his aide, Lt. J. P. E. Burnard, and J. C. J. Flannan, French consul in Boston. He was presented with a key to the city by the mayor.

RECORD 5/28/32

Appeals for 40 Million Transit Plan

Mayor Curley sounded a grim warning that highways will not be safe for traveling if Congress adjourns without providing for a \$5,000,000,000 public works construction program, including highways, and if the Massachusetts Legislature adjourns without providing for cities and towns.

The mayor made this statement personally before the legislative committee on metropolitan affairs.

He appeared in behalf of the plan for construction of \$40,000,000 extensions to the metropolitan Boston transit system.

If the project is adopted it would do the work for about 7000 war veterans over a period of five years, the mayor said.

In addition to giving work to this number of jobless veterans, it would save the city the direct expenditure of \$750,000, which would have to be paid the men, if out of work, under the soldiers' relief law.

The improvements proposed in the recommendations of the Metropolitan Transit Council, are an extension of rapid transit facilities from Lechmere sq., to Davis sq., West Somerville, and from Arlington st., Boston, to the vicinity of Brookline Village.

Mayor Curley pointed out the Governor sq. extension project has neared completion. It has thrown 1000 of 1500 men out of work. He said if the work on the two new extensions started around Oct. 1, about 7000 men would be given work and they wouldn't require aid under the soldiers' relief statute.

The taxpayers' relief, instead of being put into the building of public works," the mayor said. "This would provide war veterans with better relief and give taxpayers something tangible in return for their money."

Mayor Curley predicted that demands for soldier relief would be 200 per cent greater this year than in 1932.

Globe 5/29/32

CURLEY URGES NEW SUBWAYS

Says \$40,000,000 Project Would Aid Veterans and City--Opponents Heard

The plan of the trustees of the Metropolitan Transit District for rapid transit extensions, subways, etc., to cost approximately \$40,000,000, was favored and opposed at an all-day hearing yesterday before the Legislative Committee on Metropolitan Affairs. The hearing will be resumed at 10:30 this morning in room 370, State House.

At the morning session Mayor Curley told the committee that carrying out of the projects described would provide work for five years for 6000 or 7000 war veterans. He said that in addition the city would save \$750,000 which would have to be distributed for soldiers' relief under the law if the veterans were not supplied with work.

S. R. Goodwin Assails Mayor

The Mayor replied to some of the published criticism of his methods of administration. He was not present, however, in the afternoon when Samuel R. Goodwin, an equipment dealer of 10 State st, assailed the Mayor.

Mr Goodwin took the position that the legislation should be rejected on the ground that if it were enacted it would give Mayor Curley money to spend. This should not be done, the speaker went on, because, he charged, a \$350,000 job was let out by the city officials of Boston in the construction of the East Boston vehicular tunnel without a competitive bid, and that the work was given to an out-of-State concern, while there were plenty of firms in Massachusetts that would have been glad to have an opportunity of bidding for the job.

Mr Goodwin claimed that through the transaction the taxpayers of the city were the losers to the extent of \$150,000 and that the project was put through by an act of collusion on the part of city officials.

El S. and for Car Riders

Senator James J. Twohig of Boston, a member of the committee, expressed the opinion that Mr Goodwin made his statements merely to vent his spite against Mayor Curley and that he is aggrieved because he is not getting any city contracts. Mr Goodwin denied this and stated that at present he has a city contract. He parted with the Mayor, he went on, because of his desire to support Al Smith in the Presidential race.

H. Ware Barnum, counsel for the trustees of the Boston Elevated, placed the trustees on record in opposition to the legislation in the event that the car riders are to be called upon to hear any portion of the carrying charges. He reminded the committee of the constantly decreasing revenue of the road and felt that if the legislation is put through the funds should come from the general tax levy, on the ground

that real estate values are increased by improvement in transportation.

Cannot Pay It, Says Quigley

Mayor Lawrence F. Quigley of Chelsea, in opposition, declared that the financial condition of his city did not warrant his approving the legislation.

Mayor Quigley spoke of the large sums being spent by the cities and towns in the Metropolitan district in public relief, and he suggested that this money in part be used for financing the rapid-transit construction project under consideration. By this method the object sought in the legislation would be attained while the persons needing financial assistance from the cities and towns would be provided for in the form of work.

Before very long, Mayor Quigley predicted, the cities of the State will have to go into the real estate business because of the large number of houses which the municipalities will have to take for the nonpayment of taxes. This should be taken into consideration by the legislators before the situation is aggravated by the passage of any further borrowing legislation, the Mayor concluded.

Gen Logan Speaks

Gen Edward L. Logan, chairman of the trustees of the Boston Metropolitan District, explained the provisions of the bill, in the course of which he pointed out that only a portion of the \$40,000,000 would be borrowed at this time, as the work would be done in individual units.

The legislation was favored by Robert J. Watt, representing the American Federation of Labor; Edward F. O'Dowd, representing the Boston Unemployment Committee, and Thomas D. Lonergan of Cambridge.

Mayor Curley Tells of Aid

Mayor Curley called the attention of the legislators to the fact that in 1930 they approved a proposal for a bond issue of about \$5,000,000 to finance the building of the Governor sq extension, saying that this provided work for 1500 men. This undertaking is rapidly nearing completion, so that 1000 of the 1500 have been laid off and the remainder will be discharged later in the year.

"That project, giving employment to these 1500 men, saved the city \$1,500,000, while if this recommendation is accepted and the work started, it will mean a saving of \$750,000 a year, which otherwise would have to be paid to the men under the terms of the Soldiers' Relief law."

As an illustration of what happens when the veterans are out of a job, the Mayor stated that as soon as some of the 1000 discharged were taken off the payroll they applied for relief under the Soldiers' Relief law.

Such a situation the Mayor characterized as unwise, inasmuch as the taxpayers' money, instead of being paid out in the relief, should be put into the building of public works, which would give relief to the veterans in a better way and at the same time give to the taxpayers something tangible in return for their money.

Citing the importance of meeting the situation brought about by the unemployment of war veterans, the Mayor stated that the increase in the expenditures of assisting this particular class in the community would be 200 percent greater in 1932 than it was in 1931.

Could Start Work in Fall

If the legislation is enacted immediately work on the improvements could be started by about Oct 1 next, the Mayor said. This is the time in which the heaviest drains come against the Welfare Department of the city, he went on.

In commenting upon the position taken by the Massachusetts Tax Association, the Boston Real Estate Exchange and other organizations on the subject of public improvements through bond issues, the Mayor attacked the methods he alleged are pursued by these organizations, characterizing them as of a "mean" variety.

He referred to the defeat of legislation presented by him relative to the retirement of city employees, which, if put on the statutes, would decrease the tax rate of Boston by about 52 percent, he said.

"I got in touch with the Boston Real Estate Exchange and the Boston Chamber of Commerce and explained the legislation to them and thought they were in favor of it," he said. "Later, I learned, after its defeat, that they had surreptitiously fought the legislation, which finally was vetoed by the Governor."

Replies to Critics

Answering the attack, which had been made on his economic ability, the Mayor said that he would like to contrast his ability along this line, and his honesty, with those of his critics.

He spoke strongly in favor of the proposed national \$5,000,000,000 public fund for construction projects to provide employment and said that only through such a project could the depression be ended.

Also meeting with the censure of the Mayor was the State Board of Tax Appeal. Decisions of that body have cost the taxpayers of Boston hundreds of thousands of dollars, the Mayor said.

With the ranks of the unemployed constantly being increased, the revenues coming to the city treasury constantly being diminished by the resulting demands upon the Public Welfare Department, the coming Winter, in the opinion of the Mayor, will be a black one.

"I tremble to think of what is going to happen if this thing continues," he said.

Mayor Murphy in Favor

Mayor John J. Murphy of Somerville was the next speaker in favor of the projects. He estimated that 30,000 persons in Somerville, besides those living in Medford and North Cambridge, come in and out of Boston each day and would be materially aided by the construction of a rapid transit north of Boston. He also said that he favored Mayor Curley's other project.

Senator Charles C. Warren of Arlington, Senate chairman of the committee, read a telegram sent him and the other members by the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Veterans of the Spanish War and the American Federation of Labor, asking that the legislation be passed.

"SHADOWS" QUIT FOR VAUDEVILLE

Old-New Policy in Brilliant Debut
Before Capacity Audience at
RKO Keith Memorial



BY GRACE DAVIDSON

The Golden Jubilee celebrated last night at the RKO Keith Memorial Theatre before a capacity audience of State and city officials, well-known citizens, invited and paying guests, was a step away from the mechanized, high pressure decade, and a step forward to a new decade of old-time vaudeville and old-time prices in the spirit of the new 30s—a flesh-and-

blood show for your money, with real people and real talent.

NEW POLICY

As in the old days when the shadow-land of fame and fortune first made its debut, the shadows were secondary last night at the opening of a new policy at the Memorial Theatre, dedicated in 1928 to the man—B. F. Keith—who gave vaudeville, as it is known again, to the entertainment world.

In other words, last night's jubilee was a return to vaudeville, and for the first time the Memorial Theatre became a living memorial to B. F. Keith.

A new curtain was rung up and the memory of 34 years of vaudeville at the old B. F. Keith Theatre was revived, a memory still fresh with the triumphs of the greatest names of the old vaudeville days, Ethel Barrymore of "The Twelve Pound Look," Sarah Bernhardt of 1918 in "Jean D'Arc," and a decade back, Anna Held of "I Can't Make My Eyes Behave," Fritz Scheff of "Kiss Me Again," Eva Tanguay of "I don't Care," Webber and Fields and Lillian Russell.

Mayor There

Wisely in a way, last night's opening made no grand pretensions of imitating the glorious past of vaudeville. The bill opened and got down to the business of entertaining and went on its way to a splendid finish with Ben Bernie and his band. It was no movie opening. The entrance was illuminated with Kleig lights, to be sure. The Mayor was a little late, but the show went right on, and when he did arrive Mayor Curley came upon the stage and said his little piece. There was applause and he took a seat with his family and watched the show with the rest of the crowd.

As the show started promptly at 7:30, there is this difference from the good old days, for the vaudeville of today is a four-a-day for the performers—continuous show—it was difficult to note the procession of celebrities and noted citizens. For one thing, there was no attempt at announcing the who's who of Boston. Well known citizens walked in quietly with their ladies. There was James Roosevelt and party among the crowd. Mr. and Mrs. Louis E. Kirstein very quietly slipped into their seats. Police Commissioner Hultman followed suit and so did the rest.

CITY'S GIFT TO ARBEITER CLUB

Mayor Presents Set of Elk Antlers

In recognition of the services of the German societies in celebrating Boston's recent tercentenary, Mayor Curley presented a mounted set of elk antlers to the Arbeiter Club at Jamaica Plain, during its reception last night to Paul de Bruyn, winner of the B. A. A. marathon race.

Representing the city, President Jacob Reiss of the United German Societies declared that the Mayor was proud of the showing made by the Germanic groups in their demonstrations at the tercentenary. In accepting the set of antlers, President Frank Mechner of the club thanked the Mayor for his generosity and promised that they would be preserved as a permanent trophy.

HEARLD

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Solemn Services Mark Tribute To Heroic Dead of Nation's Wars



Mrs. Mary F. Cuttall, commander of Massachusetts All Nurses post, American Legion, placing wreath on statue in the State House dedicated to nurses who died in war. At her right is Miss Olive Parsons, commander of Bessie P. Edwards post, A. L., which escorted the nurses to Boston Common, where a wreath was placed at a tree planted in living memorial to nurses.

Outdoor memorial exercises, special services in the churches, and the decorating of thousands of graves yesterday marked New England's observance of the Sunday before Memorial day, while the holiday itself will today bring a series of solemn events in which homage will be paid the soldier dead in every city and town.

Veterans in the uniforms of military organizations of the men of three wars will today march to hundreds of cemeteries, where citizens will join

them in the annual Decoration day tributes. The sailors of past navies will be remembered with flowers strewn on the waters.

Veteran organizations spent hours yesterday decorating graves in preparation for the Memorial day exercises. Memorial masses were celebrated in Catholic churches throughout Greater Boston, and ministers in nearly every edifice preached sermons in which the significance of the holiday was stressed.

12,000 ATTEND MEMORIAL DAY FENWAY MASS

A fervent plea to the people of America to pray for divine aid in the present economic crisis and for a return to spiritual and material prosperity, in order to safeguard the future of the nation, was voiced yesterday by Cardinal O'Connell during the annual field memorial mass at Fenway Park.

More than 12,000 persons, including war veterans and the civilian public, attended the mass, which this year was under the auspices of Municipal Council, U. S. W. V., and Suffolk County Council of the American Legion. A military parade from Copley sq. preceded the service.

In many of the churches throughout Greater Boston special Memorial Day services were conducted, while a number of veterans' and patriotic organizations paid their annual pilgrimage to the graves of the country's hero dead, as a prelude to today's events.

Thousands of the civilian citizenry also made special visits to the cemeteries to decorate the graves of relatives and friends.

3 VOLLEYS FIRED

Mayor Curley, his daughter, Mary, and two sons, Paul and Francis, attended the memorial mass at Fenway Park. Registrar Morgan T. Ryan represented Gov. Ely and many other state and city officials joined with the war veterans in the annual tribute.

Cardinal O'Connell presided and the celebrant of the mass was Rev. George P. O'Connor, pastor of St. Mary's Church at Dedham and former department chaplain of the American Legion, assisted by Rev. Robert J. White of the Catholic University at Washington. The service was broadcast by radio.

Three volleys were fired at the consecration of the Host and "Taps" was sounded at the close of the mass.

Officers of the French naval vessels here on a visit, with J. C. Joseph Flamand, French consul in Boston, had a place of honor in the parade and at the Fenway Park service.

At the Dudley Street Baptist Church an impressive memorial service was held, with members of the Roger Walcott Camp 23, U. S. W. V., as guests. They were escorted to the church by their Auxiliary drum and bugle corps. Rev. Arthur T. Brooks, pastor, preached on "The Men Who Fought."

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TRAVELER

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4000 Veterans in Uniform Parade

Amid the most colorful surroundings at a service filled with inspiration, solemnity and great beauty, Cardinal O'Connell, speaking at the memorial services conducted in honor of the Nation's dead, heroes of all wars, at Fenway Park yesterday morning, called upon the people of all creeds to unite in a week of prayer that God may bring back spiritual peace to the world and, with the spiritual peace, the manifold and obvious blessings of material and physical welfare which follow in the path of God's love.

A congregation of nearly 10,000 filled the grandstand for the memorial mass. Four thousand war veterans formed a hollow square around the altar, erected in the center of the ball-field.

The temporary altar inclosure was decorated with red, white and blue on three sides. Rich red velvet carpeted from the grandstand up broad steps to the foot of the altar. A tall gold crucifix rising aloft was surrounded with flickering candles at the snow-white altar. Tall palms outlined the inclosure and, at the entrance, stood two massive baskets of flowers, flag red gladioli, brilliant blue larkspur and white callas, carrying out in floral beauty the tri-colors of the flags which were massed at the foot of the stairs.

Impressive and colorful was the square of military units, band, nurses and auxiliary groups which formed around the field. The weather was ideal, the sun lighting up the brilliancy of the silver helmets of some, the gold, vivid red and old French blue helmets worn by the All-Dorchester, the Oliver Ames, the West Roxbury and the Yankee Division bands, the miniature silver monuments which formed the headpiece of the Bunker Hill Post bandmen, the uniforms of regulation blue, the tan, the Colonial combine of scarlet and blue, the blue and gold and other colorful combinations.

Seated within the grandstand were State and city officials, Mayor James M. Curley, accompanied by his daughter, Miss Mary, and sons, Paul and Francis; Commander Maurice Gribbin of the Ville D'ys, a French vessel now in Boston Harbor; French Consul J. C. Joseph Flamand and a detail of French soldiers in uniform, Lieut Gov William S. Youngman, in the uniform of the Sons of Union Veterans, and Registrar of Motor Vehicles Morgan Ryan, who represented Gov Ely. Special sections were reserved for the Gold Star Mothers, another for the war nurses, a section for disabled service men and G. A. R. men and Spanish-American War veterans.

Cardinal O'Connell, in his cardinal robes, presided at the service. The mass was celebrated by Rev George P. O'Connor, pastor of St. Mary's Church, Dedham. Rev Robert J. White, professor of law at Georgetown University, former assistant district attorney of Middlesex County, preached the sermon. Rev Dr Francis L. Keenan, professor of Sacred Scriptures at St.

John's Seminary, Brighton, broadcast the ceremony to the radio audience, explaining that the spirit of the sacrifice of the men who died in the service of their country was being most highly commemorated in the solemn, holy sacrifice of the mass.

During the service a vested choir of 50 young seminarians from St John's Seminary, under the direction of Rev Arthur Hagan, professor of music at Brighton Seminary, sang. Rt Rev Francis A. Burke, chancellor of the diocese, was personal escort to the Cardinal.

Cardinal's Address

The Cardinal said, in part: "Beloved American Legion friends and all other friends; because sacrifice is the basis of all true religion, patriotism which is the truest, highest type of service and sacrifice for one's country and fellowmen, is honored by religion at this service in memory of your honored dead. As the time comes, if it ever comes again, when, may God forbid, the American Nation is obliged through aggression to rise up in defense, the fact that you, members of our beloved American Legion and you, all our dear friends here assembled to honor your hero dead, will pass the spirit to your sons and grandsons of true, faithful, loyal, devotion to the welfare of America, such as you have and such as they whom we honor today had, who showed that devotion with the very sacrifice of their lives."

"The welfare of our country is not entirely a matter of material prosperity. History of Nations in the past has pointed out sufficiently clear, so that everyone understands, that although material prosperity, through the blessings from God come afloat and are used rightfully, but who does not know that with material prosperity alone no Nation succeeds in even keeping its position in life. Man was not made of material body alone, man is a spiritual being. True, the body needs sustenance—health, wealth and happiness is good for our material

prosperity. But we are, spiritually children of God. First and foremost is not the material and physical welfare of the body, but God has given us immortal souls and raised us to the standing of heirs to heaven.

"As you honor the memory of our beloved dead, give glory to them who were sons of His during their mortal life, and with duty in their hearts and loyalty to their country gave their strong, joyous, young lives that we might live, let us at least remember them in our lives with deeds and actions. Let us honor their memory not alone with lip service, but through the grace of God carry on as they did, for God and country."

"O God, let it be soon the coming of peace and spiritual prosperity and best of all, the prosperity of God's blessings on his children here in our beloved America. Our memory of our beloved departed men of the American Legion is a spiritual thing, their death is a spiritual sacrifice, and so year after year, with true patriotism, we honor their spiritual sacrifice, with the memory of God ruling the universe He created, with the love of God giving us life, health and grace. Therefore, if we wish our lives to honor America, even if we do not make the sacrifice of dying for our country, we must have an outlook more than the material, more than the physical, we must have an outlook for the welfare of the soul."

MAYOR CURLEY PLANS REPLY

Resents "Shifting Sands" Charge of City's Finances

An attack on sponsors of the Boston municipal research bureau was expected today from Mayor Curley in answer to declarations by the group of prominent lawyers and business men that "the 1932 financial program for the city government is built upon shifting sands."

In a lengthy statement the bureau set forth that "only drastic retrenchment and economy" can avert a crisis in the city's finances and in the economic structure of the community.

Immediately after learning of the statement of the bureau, of which Bentley W. Warren is chairman, Mayor Curley promised to make an emphatic reply. He said he would link sponsors of the bureau with critics of his administration who are influential in the Massachusetts Tax Association. He said that at least four of the members were attacked by him at a legislative hearing last week.

The mayor expressed the belief that the bureau's analysis of the city's future finances could be tied up with the tax association with whom he has been at odds for months because of the demands for reductions of valuation assessments coming from downtown property owners.

As a remedy for the situation, the bureau listed eight recommendations which it said must be followed if Boston was to avoid financial disaster. They are:

Adoption of new six-month city and county budgets with substantial reductions beginning June 30.

Reduction of an average of 15 per cent. in salaries and wages paid to city, county and school employees.

Control by the budget commissioner of all city departments now under control of the mayor.

Supervision by the budget commissioner over personnel in all city departments now under mayoral control.

Immediate accomplishment of the promised reorganization of the supply department.

Extension of the economies of volume purchasing and competitive bidding to the supplies and equipment and contract services now purchased in small quantities without competitive bidding.

Discontinuance of all non-essential activities and rescinding of their unexpended appropriation balances.

Deferring of construction of or issue of bonds for new projects for the balance of the year.

The group charged that with the gap between increasing cost of city government and the decreasing ability of the public to meet that cost widening from day to day "the city government is still running on a basis in which the rule of debt rather than the rule of duty prevails."

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rites in our lives, and deeds, and actions, so that our memory of them may not be merely lip service but the grace of God deep down in our hearts which will bring down on this nation again, and God grant that it will be soon, Thy and God grant that it will be soon, Thy perfect peace and Thy spiritual prosperity of the past and all prosperity—God's blessing upon His children here on earth in this beloved America.

Urges Week of Prayer

"Our memory of them is a spiritual thing. Their death was a spiritual sacrifice. So all along the line from morning to night, from day to day,

from year to year, the foundation of true patriotism is spiritual. Therefore our lives must be more than material and our outlook more than physical welfare, it must be first of all the welfare of the soul in honor of God.

"May I invite you all, now that I have the pleasure and honor of being with you today, to join with us in prayer and reparation to Almighty God beginning with the Feast of the Sacred Heart which comes June 3 for one week. Let us kneel in His presence in your churches, whatever they may be, in your temples day by day and as frequently as you can, morning and night, beseeching God to give that peace to the world, that spiritual peace through which everything good must come. And only through that spiritual blessing of God will peace again descend upon the earth and with it a million manifold and obvious blessings."

Sermon by Father White

Cardinal O'Connell was accompanied by the Right Rev. Mgr. Francis A. Burke, chancellor of the archdiocese, and sat during the mass on the gospel side of the beautifully decorated altar erected in front of the grandstand. The mass was said by the Rev. George P. O'Connor of Dedham. The Rev. Harry M. O'Connor of the Cathedral was master of ceremonies.

The Rev. Francis C. Keenan of the faculty at St. John's Seminary, described the different parts of the mass over the radio from a microphone on a table in front of the Red Sox dug-out. The choir of seminarians from St. John's Seminary, under the direction of the Rev. Arthur Hagan, sang the hymns. A firing squad fired six volleys at the consecration. The Rev. Robert J. White, former assistant district attorney of Middlesex County and a professor at the Catholic University, Washington, D. C., preached the sermon.

Cup for Juveniles

A colorful parade preceded the mass. One of the hits of the review was the junior bugle and drum corps, composed of young boys and girls from the Roxbury Post of the American Legion. Mayor Curley presented the corps with a silver loving cup, which was received by Miss Anne Deveney for the juvenile musicians.

Cardinal O'Connell was escorted by the Lawrence Light Guard in brilliant uniforms. The light guard stood at attention in front of the altar during the

mass and were formally dismissed at the cardinal's greeting.

Commander George T. Lattimer, U. S. W. V., was marshal of the parade, and Commander James E. Conway, chief of staff.

Mayor Curley with his daughter, Miss Mary Curley, J. C. Joseph Flanagan, French consul at Boston; officers of the French naval vessel in the harbor occupied a front box and were received on the altar by the Cardinal after the mass.

Children's Band Drum Major Presented Cup

Drum Major
Anne
Deveney of
Roxbury
Post, A. L.,
Auxiliary
Children's
Band,
presented
cup
by Mayor
Curley
after
Memorial
Day
for war
dead
at Fenway
Park
Cardinal
O'Connell,
center,



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BIG PARADE, ROAD RACE TO FEATURE

Dorchester Day to Be
Celebrated Next
Saturday

A large military parade and a 10-mile road race through the streets of Dorchester will feature the celebration of Dorchester Day under the auspices of the Thomas J. Roberts Post, American Legion, on Saturday. Other celebrations and band concerts will take place during the day.

100 IN ROAD RACE

The road race, under the sanction of the N. E. A. A. U., will have more than 100 entries. The race will start and finish at the Roberts Playground, Dunbar avenue, where the main events of the celebration will take place. The route leads through Washington street to Columbia road to Old Colony boulevard to Gallivan boulevard to Adams street to River street back to Washington street.

Ten silver cups will be awarded to the winners. The race will start at 2 o'clock and will be under the management of Daniel McCarthy. Athletic events and games for the children will be held at the playground during the morning. The parade will start at Bowdoin and Washington streets at 2:30 o'clock and proceed along Washington street to the playground.

Hannon Chief Marshal

More than 40 bands and bugle and drum corps will take part in the parade, with a company of the 101st Infantry, a troop of the 101st Cavalry and a company of the 101st Ammunition Train. American Legion posts and other patriotic organizations will be in the line of march. Captain Edwin Hannon will be chief marshal of the parade. A review will be held at the playground.

An air show will take place over the playground during the afternoon, followed by the first official State American Legion drum and bugle corps competition of the year, featuring 15 drum corps. A baseball game between local teams will be played at 5:30 o'clock.

Mayor Curley will be the speaker at memorial exercises held at the playground at 7:15 o'clock. Lieutenant Frank Murphy will conduct the services.

Philip A. Sullivan is chairman of the committee in charge. He is assisted by Commander Arthur White, Robert Hunter, Thomas Hunter, Thomas Muldoon, James Doherty and Joseph Hennessy.

RELIGION LIKE PATRIOTISM HIGH SENSE OF SACRIFICE

Cardinal O'Connell Declares at Colorful Memorial Mass at Fenway Park That Memory of Beloved War Dead Is a Duty On Our Part



THE CARDINAL, MAYOR AND DIGNITARIES AT MILITARY MASS.

Cardinal O'Connell and Mayor Curley on the platform at the military mass at Fenway Park. Miss Mary Curley is beside her father, and the Mayor's two sons, Leo and Paul, are at left of platform.

An invitation for the entire country to join with Catholics in a week of prayer and reparation, starting June 3, was extended by Cardinal O'Connell yesterday during his address to more than 5000 people who attended the annual memorial mass at Fenway Park. The address and service was broadcast.

In opening, the Cardinal told the war veterans and their affiliated organizations that religion and patriotism in their highest and truest sense was sacrifice, and that the

sacrifice given by the veterans, whether living or dead, will prove an inspiration for other generations, if this country is ever called upon to defend herself against aggression.

CHILDREN OF GOD

Referring to the present time of depression, the Cardinal declared that the "welfare of a country does not depend upon its material prosperity. It would seem that history has pointed that out sufficiently for everyone to understand. Material prosperity is a blessing of God when it comes and is used rightfully, but who does not know that by material prosperity alone no nation has ever really succeeded in even keeping its existence in life.

"The reason is because man is not made of body alone; man is first of all a spiritual being. True, he has a body that needs care and for its welfare material prosperity is good, but beyond all that is the simple truth that we are spiritual children of God.

Not Merely Lip Service

"First and foremost the greatest possession is not bodily welfare, physical welfare, it is the fact that God has given us an immortal soul, has raised it up to the dignity of a princely state which will allow us to be with Him for all eternity, if we only are true sons of His during this mortal life.

"The memory of our beloved dead is a glory to them and a duty on our part. If they gave their lives, young, healthy, joyous lives, that we might live, let us at least remember them.

10,000 Attend Military Mass; Cardinal Urges Appeal to God

Asks Veterans at Fenway Park Service to Pray
For Return of Peace—Fr. White of
Washington Delivers Sermon

The color of Catholic religious services was combined with formal military ceremonies to form an impressive pageant at the annual memorial field service for veteran dead yesterday morning at Fenway park, with 8000 spectators and 2000 veterans participating.

Cardinal O'Connell, who presided at the military mass, delivered an address in which he pleaded for a united America to beg God for relief from the depression. The Rev. Robert J. White of the Catholic University at Washington, who preached the sermon, asserted that unless Americans return to a fundamental faith in God there can be no more progress for the nation.

MARCH FROM COPLEY SQUARE

A bright sun provided ideal weather conditions for the veterans as, escorted by units of the Massachusetts national guard, they marched from Copley square to the ball park, where the services were sponsored by municipal council, United Spanish War Veterans, and Suffolk County council, American Legion.

Among the guests were Mayor Curley, Miss Mary Curley, Paul and Francis Curley, Capt. R. M. Gebelin of the French sloop of war Ville d'Ys which is visiting Boston, Morgan T. Ryan, registrar of motor vehicles, who represented Gov. Ely, Joseph Flammant, French consul, and Mrs. Flammant, and representatives of the army, navy, patriotic and civic organizations.

After the mass, the veterans marched in review before the altar, Cardinal O'Connell spoke to Lt. Henry Lawrence and the escort soldiers, the 101st engineers, M. N. G., pointing out that he was a personal friend of the late Gen. Lawrence and their escorting him was in the nature of a "reunion."

Among the organizations which participated in the parade were representatives of United Spanish War Veterans, units of the 101st infantry, Francis V. Logan, and the 372d infantry battalion, with bands and the following American Legion posts:

Roxbury post, Bunker Hill post, Old Dorchester post, M. J. Perkins post, Orient Heights post, Cecil W. Fogg post, Metropolitan Firemen's post, South End post, Oliver Ames, Jr., post, Mattapan post, Frances G. Kane post, All Dorchester post, West Roxbury post, W. L. Morris post, William E. Carter post, L. Marris post, Roberts post, William F. Thomas post, Bessie P. Edwards post, Sinclair post, Yankee Division post, Pulaski post, Yankee Division post, Alexander Graham Bell post and Boston Newspapermen's post, all with post bands.

The Cardinal presided at the mass, which the Rev. George P. O'Connor, of St. Mary's Church, former department chaplain of the Legion, celebrated. Fr. White, who gave the sermon, is present.

department chaplain and before entering the priesthood was assistant district attorney of Middlesex county. The Rev. Harry M. O'Connor of the staff of the Cathedral of The Holy Cross, was master of ceremonies.

At the consecration during the mass, three volleys were fired by a squad drawn up behind the altar. Music for the mass was provided by a male choir of seminarians from St. John's Seminary in Brighton under the Rev. Arthur Hagan. Dr. Francis Keenan explained the mass over the radio during the ceremony.

CARDINAL GIVES ADDRESS

Cardinal O'Connell said in part: "Because sacrifice is the basis of all true religion, patriotism in its truest and highest sense is honored by religion. Should the time ever come again—and God forbid!—that our nation be obliged on account of aggression to defend its existence and rights, the fact that you legion men and Spanish war men have gathered here to honor your dead, that spirit will indeed be an inspiration to your sons and grandsons should the need ever arise for them to defend America."

"The welfare of the country is not entirely dependent on material prosperity. History proves it. Material prosperity is a blessing of God when used rightly, but who does not know that no nation has ever succeeded by material prosperity alone? The reason is that man is not made of body alone. It is that man is first of all a spiritual being. It is true he needs sustenance and health and material things, but beyond all that is the simple truth that we are the spiritual children of God, who has given us an immortal soul."

"Today we honor the memory of the beloved dead. It is a glory to them and a duty on our part. If they gave up their lives, young, healthy, joyous lives, that we might live, let us remember them."

"Such memorial services must be real, not lip service, but lifted by the grace of God. For death is a spiritual sacrifice, the foundation of patriotism is spiritual. Therefore, if we are to give our lives for America—not necessarily dying—we must have in mind something more than the material; the welfare of the soul and the honor of God. I ask you all, and all America, to join in a week of prayer and reparation to God to bring peace back to the world."

URGES APPEAL TO GOD

Fr. White said, in part: "It is surely fitting that patriotism and religion should unite on this day, but it is not enough that we should honor the dead, for their souls still ask each of us: 'Was it worth while?' If

we are to return to our homes no better citizens the observance of Memorial day has been in vain.

"Memorial day shall not be a day of rushing forward, but one of going back until we reach the First Commandment: 'I am the Lord, Thy God, thou shalt not have false gods before me.' The false gods of unbridled pleasure, love of money, false philosophies and pseudo-science. They have brought America to the depression and its youth to doubt. But the leaders of the nation make an appeal to Congress or a state Legislature, but brought to reality by each individual. If we follow the words of our wise cardinal, God will bring to each his needs. Until America does that, and not before, will we be able to answer the question: 'Were the sacrifices of our war dead justified?' Then will America revive and prosperity descend on us, not only material prosperity, but lasting spiritual prosperity."

NURSES DECORATE THEIR MEMORIAL

Services at Statue Dedicated
To Dead in All Wars

For the first time, the nurses' statue in the grand staircase hall of the State House, dedicated to the nurses who have died in all wars, was decorated by nurses yesterday, when members of the Massachusetts All Nurses post of the American Legion held exercises there.

Two wreaths were placed at the statue by Mrs. Mary F. Cuttall, commander of the post, and the nurses, escorted by the bugle and drum corps of the Bessie P. Edwards post of the legion, only organization of its kind in the nation, marched to Boston Common, where they placed a wreath at the base of a tree planted there as a living memorial to nurse dead. The tree is located near the soldiers and sailors' monument.

The exercises at the State House were opened by Mrs. Cuttall, who pointed to the fitness of nurses decorated to the statue dedicated to their orating. Harriet Kuemin, post chaplain, delivered the invocation. Speakers included James P. Rose, vice-commander of the legion, who represented that organization; State Senator John P. Buckley, who represented Gov. Ely and the state, and City Councilman Thomas Burke, who represented the city and Mayor Curley. Taps was sounded by Miss Dorothea Hall of the Girl Scouts.

The committee in charge of the affair included Mrs. Bernard F. Devine, chairman; Mrs. Dorothy Smith and the Misses Esther Murphy, Dorothea Burke, Marcella Gaffney, Alice Foley Margaret Conlon, Marion Dustin, Elizabeth Lake and Mary Hill.

VETERANS HOLD ANNUAL FIELD MEMORIAL SERVICE



Scene at Fenway park when annual field memorial service to war dead was held. Military units are shown at left, with altar where Catholic service was held, and veterans in the background. There were 8000 spectators.



At left is the party of Mayor Curley at the memorial service at Fenway park. Left to right: Miss Mary Curley, Mrs. Joseph C. Flammant, wife of the French consul in Boston; Capt. R. M. Gebelin of the French sloop of war Ville d'Ys, and Mayor Curley. At the right: Cardinal O'Connell and the Rev. Harry M. O'Connor of the Cathedral staff, who was master of ceremonies at the military mass.

Throngs Attend Exercises on Common; Mayor Curley Delivers Address

Greater Boston and the rest of the nation yesterday memorialized its immortal dead with music, eulogy and sacred ritual.

Younger and more vigorous comrades of later wars tenderly escorted the few faltering survivors of the Civil War to the graves and shrines of comrades who have gone before. Decoration of graves and squares, the firing of volleys and sounding of "taps" featured the holiday programs in every city, town and hamlet.

Everywhere the flag flew at half-staff and everywhere was heard the muffled roll of drums, the clarion bugle calls and the measured tread of marching hosts.

One of the most colorful observances in Boston proper was the annual memorial to naval veterans on Boston Common under the joint auspices of several naval organizations.

The exercises were held at the Soldiers and Sailors monument and hundreds of veterans and civilians participated. Squads from the Boston navy yard and the French cruiser Ville D'ys attended, along with delegations from the Kearsage Association of Naval Veterans, their auxiliary and the Daughters of Union Veterans.

WARNS OF ENEMIES

Mayor Curley, as orator, declared there was less to be feared from enemies without than from the misguided enemies within the nation. He voiced the necessity for action against pacifist propaganda, and criticized the decimation of the army, navy and marine corps.

"While the policy of increasing the expenditures for law enforcement has been on the wholesale scale, appropriations for national defense have been constantly reduced," the mayor said.

Commander David King of the

Kearsage Veterans placed a wreath on the base of the monument. Similar tributes were paid by Mrs. Maria Bateman, president of the auxiliary, and Mrs. Agnes E. Barry of the Daughters of Union Veterans.

Legion posts of Dorchester, Roslindale and Jamaica Plain paraded to Forest Hills cemetery for memorial exercises. President Gaspar G. Bacon of the Massachusetts Senate was orator.

AMERICAN 5/31/32 MAYORS ASKED TO URGE U. S. RELIEF

Detroit, May 31 (INS)—A plea to the municipal governments in all states to join in the demand made by the mayors of Michigan for immediate action by Congress on a federal program for direct relief of the unemployed was made today by Mayor Frank Murphy on the eve of the National Mayors Conference.

Final details of the conference, expected to be attended by the mayors of 27 cities, were worked out during the day by Mayor Murphy, Mayor William McKeighan Flint, Mich., and City Manager George Welsh, Grand Rapids.

"In response to the inquiry as to the reasons that actuated the mayors in Michigan in petitioning the President and the Congress in connection with federal relief, I can state them briefly," said the mayor.

SEES CRISIS NEXT FALL

"We believe our American municipalities must organize to make forceful the requirements of the cities for reasonable relief from conditions, in good share, beyond their control.

"The severity and prolonged nature of the present emergency is clearly manifest. The curve of want is mounting. Fall promises to bring a crisis in the human phase of the depression.

"An intelligent co-operative plan on the part of the federal Government is needed to bulwark not only the credit, but the very existence of municipal government. Three things are necessary:

THREE-POINT PROGRAM

"1—A program of direct relief for the unemployed.

"2—An amendment to the Reconstruction Finance Corp. bill to take up refunding obligations of the cities that have put them-

selves on a sound economy program.

"3—A prosperity loan to plan work for the unemployed on a national scale."

Mayor Curley of Boston will discuss "Municipal Problems" at the conference.

CURLEY OFF FOR DETROIT TALK

Mayor Curley left today for Detroit where he is to be one of the principal speakers at a gathering of mayors of the large cities meeting there to discuss unemployment.

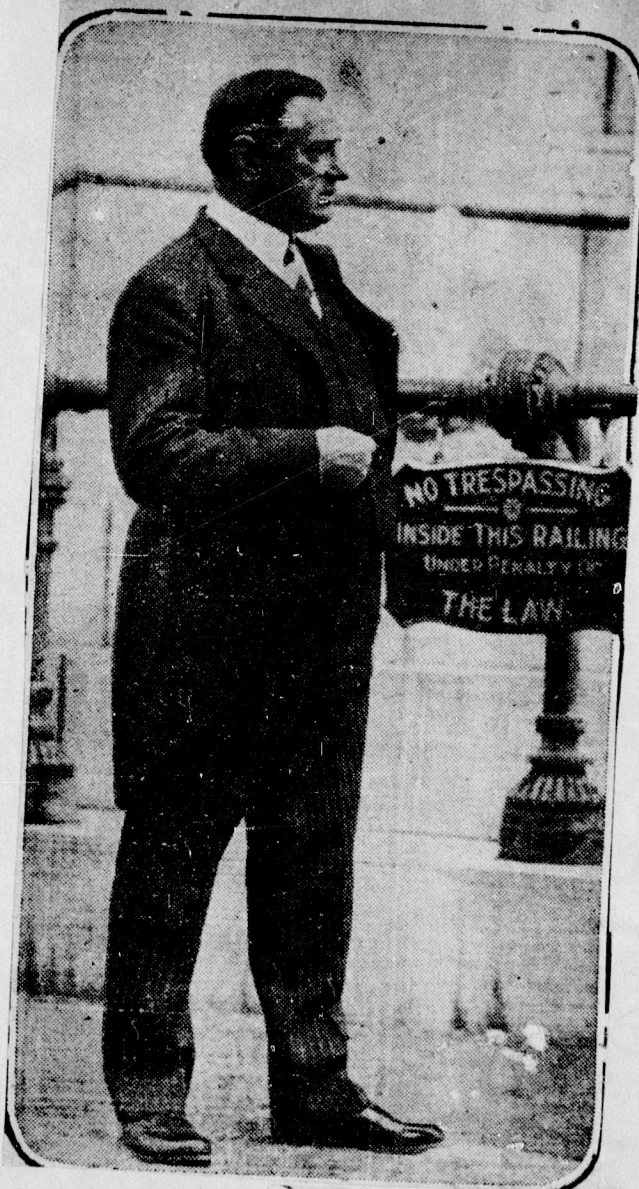
The Mayor's topic will be "The necessity of an amendment to the Reconstruction Finance Corporation act to allow refunding bonds to ease the credit situation of municipalities."

The executives meet at 10 a. m. and the session will close in the afternoon. Mayor Curley plans to leave Detroit at 5:20 o'clock tomorrow morning and to be back at his desk in City Hall Thursday.

He was accompanied on his trip to Detroit by City Treasurer Dolan, City Auditor Carven and by his secretary, Cornelius A. Reardon.

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Raps Pacifists!



Misguided

enemies within gave us more to fear than enemies without. Mayor James M. Curley, above, speaking at memorial exercises in Boston Common, declared yesterday.

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Curley Will Lead Part of Conference

Mayor Curley, before departing for Detroit this afternoon, received a telegram from Mayor Frank Murphy that he had been appointed leader of a section of the mayors' conference in that city tomorrow on the necessity for amendment to the Reconstruction Finance Corporation act to allow refunding bonds to ease the credit situation of municipalities. The unpleasant part of the announcement was that each speaker would be limited to ten minutes.

The conference has been called by the mayors of the large cities of Michigan to decide upon a financial program, in behalf of suffering cities, to be forwarded to Congress. Practically all of the large cities will be represented by their chief executives. Mayor Curley will arrive in Detroit at 8.35 o'clock tomorrow morning and leave for Boston on the Wolverine at 5.20 o'clock in the afternoon.

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MAYOR CURLEY TO BE IN DETROIT TOMORROW

Mayor James M. Curley will tomorrow morning at Detroit open a conference of Mayors of cities of more than 100,000 with a discussion on Federal assistance for cities and towns. The discussion will treat on the necessity of an amendment to the Reconstruction Finance Corporation act to allow refunding bonds to ease the credit situation of many municipalities.

The Mayor left Boston this afternoon at 1:30, is due at Detroit at 8:30 tomorrow morning, and will leave there for Boston at 5:20 p. m.

INTERNATIONAL NOTES

With the Memorial tributes completed, highways were choked late yesterday afternoon and last night with the automobiles of thousands of city dwellers who had spent the holiday week-end on trips into the country. Excursion trains from Montreal, Washington and New York swelled the influx of returning vacationists to Boston last night.

An international note was struck in the day's observance in Quincy when the Canadian Legion post of that city decorated the graves, in Mt. Wollaston cemetery, of two former British soldiers who participated in the battle which is described in the immortal poem, "The Charge of the Light Brigade."

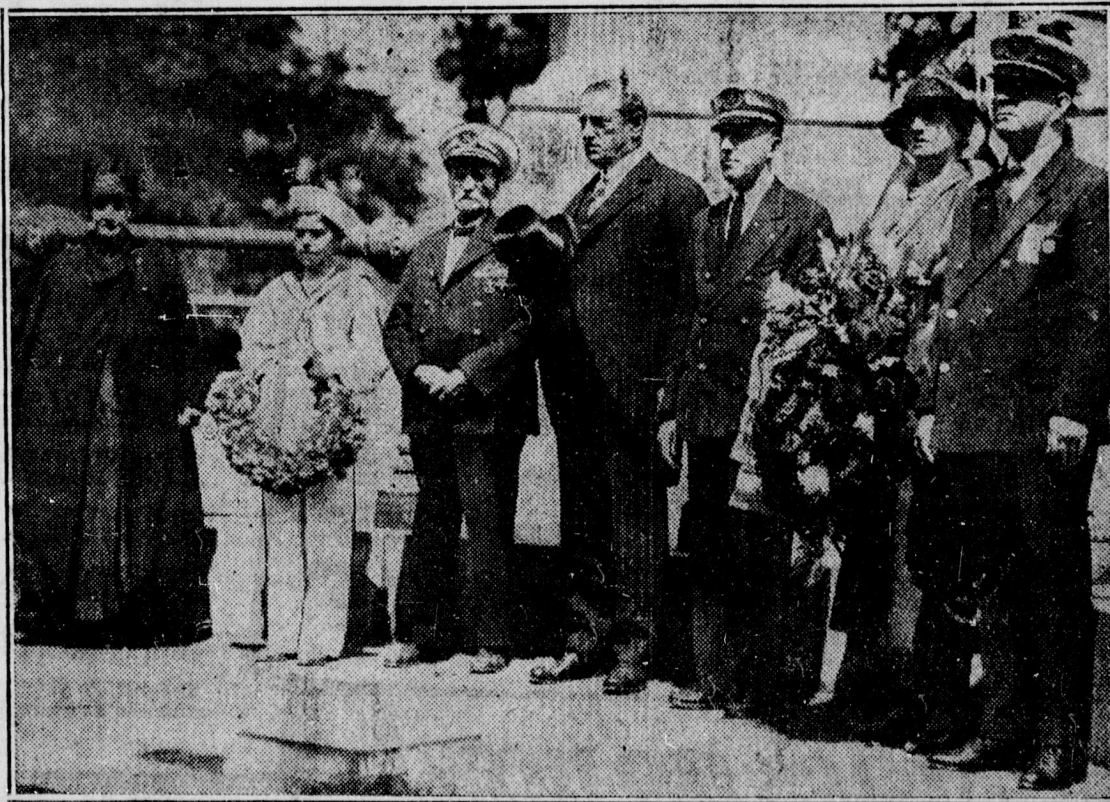
Officers of the French cruiser Ville d'Ys, now at the navy yard, participated in the exercises of the Kearsarge Association of Naval Veterans at the Soldiers and Sailors' monument on Boston Common. Mayor Curley gave the address at these exercises.

David King, commander of the association, was in charge of the exercises, and Capt. R. M. Gebelin of the French cruiser and his fellow-officers were guests of honor. The association also performed a ceremony in South Boston at which wreaths were cast on the water in tribute to the sailor dead.

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KEARSARGE VETERANS HEAR CURLEY WARN OF REDUCING OUR DEFENSES

Naval Organization Conducts Exercises on Common and Later at City Point



AT THE KEARSARGE VETERANS' COMMON EXERCISES

Left to Right—Mrs Maurice Bateman, Edward A. Devir, Commodore King, Mayor Curley, John A. Lynch, Mrs Agnes E. Barry, John T. Hurley.

Only some 38,000 are living out of the 2,800,000 who served in the Union Armies during the Civil War, according to Mayor James M. Curley, who addressed the Kearsarge Naval Veterans at the exercises at the Soldiers' Monument on the Common yesterday morning.

Commodore David King, he said, was the only one of the three surviving Civil War veterans in the organization, to which naval veterans of all wars can belong, who had health and strength sufficient to permit his attendance at the exercises. Commodore King once "piped Abraham Lincoln over the side."

"At the present time," said Mayor Curley, "there is less to be feared from the enemies without than from the well-intentioned but misguided enemies within our country. The decimation of the army and of the navy and of the Marine Corps, supplemented by the more recent movement to reduce the number of students at West Point and Annapolis and the Reserve Officers' Training Corps and other military training camps, is a serious threat

to the manual of arms in our educational institutions, gives rise in the minds of thoughtful Americans to the necessity for action, provided we desire that posterity shall continue."

About 1000 persons watched the exercises. The members assembled at 9:15 at their headquarters, 1151 Washington st, and marched along Dover st to Berkeley st, and then to the Common by way of Columbus av and Arlington st, under command of Commodore King and executive officer Ross Currier.

At the exercises there were two companies present from the cruiser Marblehead, the Navy Yard band, and a company from the French cruiser Ville D'Ys. Chaplain Davis Maraspin gave the invocation and benediction. Wreaths were laid on the monument by Mrs Maurice Bateman, president of the auxiliary, Commodore King, and Mrs Agnes E. Barry, for the Daughters of Union Veterans.

Commodore King, speaking of the decoration of graves, said that stones of those who died at sea cannot be decorated. After the exercises, the members returned to their headquarters.

exercises at City Point, Thomas Boynton was orator.

About 5000 persons surrounded the unique monument at Marine Park, South Boston, during the exercises in the afternoon.

Commodore King was presented by Edward Divver as the chairman. All-Dorchester Post, A. L., Band members gave bugle calls. There were five G. A. R. men from John A. Andrew Post present, including William H. Eldridge, C. H. Corbin, Dennis Driscoll, John J. Sheehan and Martin Feeney. Chaplain Maraspin gave the prayers. Wreaths were placed over the anchor of the monument. Miss Agnes Barry, secretary, and Mrs Maria Bateman, president of the Women's Auxiliary, spoke.

Ex-Atty Gen Thomas M. Boynton made a stirring address on the history of the American Navy and its deeds in all wars. He said there are battles today just as important as any ever fought before and these will continue until grafting, gunmen and kidnapers are driven from the earth.

John A. Lynch, as aid to the commodore, placed the wreaths and

the following belong
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GOV. ELY TO HEAD DELEGATE LIST

Slated as Chairman of Chicago Group—Walsh for Resolutions

BAY STATE TO BE CONVENTION POWER

By W. E. MULLINS

The Massachusetts delegation to the Democratic national convention will have Gov. Ely for its chairman and Senator Walsh as its representative on the important committee on resolutions and platform if preliminary arrangements outlined yesterday are approved at the organization meeting of the delegates one week from Saturday in this city.

Senator Walsh prefers the place on the committee on resolutions and platform which will assemble in advance of the convention this year for the first time in history. It is believed these arrangements will meet with the unanimous approval of the other delegates, all of whom apparently are in complete sympathy with the views held by Ely, Walsh and Frank J. Donahue, chairman of the state committee and member of the national committee.

The overwhelming sentiment demonstrated for Alfred E. Smith in Tuesday's presidential primary election promises to make the Massachusetts delegation's 36 votes the most important block in the convention at Chicago two months hence.

The almost solid support thrown to the 1928 standard bearer clearly indicates that he will be in position to use the votes of the delegation as he sees fit. So stupendous was his triumph that it amounts virtually to a mandate from the Democrats to the delegates to follow him whither he goes.

The Bay state delegation can be used as a rallying point around which to generate support for any candidate the Happy Warrior may name as his heir in the event his own renomination seems impossible. Equipped with two able platform speakers in Senator Walsh and Gov. Ely, it well may be employed as the sounding board for voicing the official Smith views.

Smith is a very human individual and undeniably he is destined to play a role of supreme importance in the convention.

With the indelible impression the Democrats have made on him by giving him their electoral vote in 1928, when all others turned against him, and in electing the first delegates pledged to him in 1932, it is only natural to expect that his intimate associates here will be permitted to have a position of importance with him out of all proportion to the value of the state's 36 delegate votes.

The cordial terms of Smith's telegram of gratitude to Gov. Ely once again introduces the prospect of the Governor being the party's candidate for Vice-President, if the chief nomination goes sufficiently distant from the seaboard to provide for the geographical balance that politicians invariably demand.

If Smith's name is presented to the convention, it seems entirely possible now that Gov. Ely may deliver the nominating speech for him, thus taking over the part played by Gov. Roosevelt at Madison Square Garden in 1924 and at Houston in 1928.

ROOSEVELT BLUNDERED

It is generally agreed that Gov. Roosevelt blundered badly in permitting himself to be jockeyed into a position out of which he was slaughtered by the man who has been adopted by the Democrats of Massachusetts as their favorite son. The effect of the crushing defeat on his candidacy will not be definitely known until accurate reactions are obtained from subsequent balloting in other sections.

Mayor Curley accepted his reverse philosophically yesterday prior to leaving for a needed rest on the Cape. It is conceivable that he might have been in position to accept the decision which bars him from the delegation with equanimity except for the fact that his most bitter political foe, Daniel H. Coakley, succeeded in winning a place by a tremendous margin in the 9th congressional district.

So extensive and disastrous was the rout of Mayor Curley that he even was deprived of the distinction of leading the Roosevelt ticket. He was compelled to yield that honor to James Roosevelt, son of the candidate, by the slender margin of 16 votes.

The combination of sentiment for Smith and resentment against Curley was much stronger outside Boston than it was in the city. The scant attention paid to the mayor's appeals in the western and southern sections of the state demonstrate that he hardly could expect to defeat Gov. Ely in a primary.

The widest Smith margin where a substantial vote was cast showed up in Blackstone where it reached 13 to 1 with Walsh getting 569 votes to 44 for Curley. Springfield was 11 to 1, Chicopee and Northampton were 9 to 1, Pittsfield and Holyoke were 7 to 1, Westfield was 8 to 1.

The threat that reprisals would be taken against the Governor in Fall River because of the operations of the finance commission was not justified by the returns which showed that Walsh led him in that city by only 26 votes and Curley was defeated by a margin to 5 to 1.

Up in Worcester Curley polled only 1086 votes. At the rally in that city he addressed twice that number and was wildly cheered, which shows that they don't always vote as they cheer.

BITTER FEUD ENDED

One bitter political feud was ended. Former Senator Joseph J. Mulhern and Dist. Atty. Foley cemented their differences, judging from the pleasant things they said about each other from numerous Smith platforms. Their popularity in South Boston and Dorchester can make them a powerful combination working in a single cause.

Donahue last night sent a telegram to the Al Smith League of California calling attention to the Massachusetts result. He said that the Democrats of the East have their eyes on California and expect to see the Massachusetts result duplicated.

Donahue received the following message from Smith: "Be assured that I know the responsibility you carried and appreciate your generalship as well as

the splendid way your organization responded throughout Massachusetts. Please express my gratitude to the organization workers throughout the state. My thanks and congratulations to you."

TELEGRAM TO ELY

Smith sent this telegram to Gov. Ely: "Hearty congratulations. Cannot find words to express my gratitude to you for your energetic, faithful and intelligent support. It is very gratifying to know that you went the limit and gave your time and energy to the last degree. Express to the people of your state my heartfelt gratitude and appreciation. Hope to see you soon."

CURLEY TO REST UP ALONG THE CAPE

Mayor Curley, accompanied by his daughter, Miss Mary Curley, left here last night for a motor trip along Cape Cod to rest up a bit following his seven weeks of campaigning throughout the State for Roosevelt. After a few days of golf he expects to return to his desk at City Hall refreshed.

GLYNN IS CHAIRMAN OF STREET COMMISSION

Former Fire Commissioner's Salary Is \$7000

Theodore A. Glynn, former fire commissioner, was named chairman of the street commission by Mayor Curley yesterday, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Thomas J. Hurley. The post carries with it an annual salary of \$7000. Assistant City Clerk John B. Hines swore in the new chairman at once.

Glynn is an ardent supporter of Curley, and in 1925, when Malcolm E. Nichols was elected, he was the Curley candidate for mayor. He was a popular fire commissioner and served in the old common council in 1903 and in the lower branch of the Legislature in 1906. He is a member of the Tammany Club and lives on Vine street in Roxbury.

Donahue Charges This Amount Spent in Mass.

While James ("Jimmie") Roosevelt, son of the presidential candidate, was speeding toward California yesterday to aid his father's fight for delegates in the Far West, Frank J. Donahue charged today in a telegram sent to the California Smith-for-President League that \$150,000 was spent in the unsuccessful Roosevelt campaign in this State.

In his telegram to P. M. Abbott, president of the Smith League in California, Donahue, chairman, stated that the Smith fight here cost less than \$3000, whereas "\$150,000 was spent by our opponent."

At Roosevelt headquarters the \$150,000 expenditure charge was ridiculed. It was claimed that only \$5000 was sent from New York to Massachusetts.

Governor Ely also sent a telegram to the California Smith League. It read:

"Massachusetts has spoken. We are delighted with the wonderful victory for Al Smith delegates. I beg to say to the Democrats of California, 'Go thou and do likewise.'"

The Donahue message read, in part:

P. M. Abbott, manager of the Smith campaign in California answered:

"Telegram received. Congratulations. The democracy of California like that of Massachusetts is awake to its responsibility and shall do likewise on May third."

"The eyes of the country are now upon California. Massachusetts looks to see her fellow-Democrats of your state elect a solid Smith delegation of 44 votes on May 3."

TRANSCRIPT THE FUTURE OF MAYOR CURLEY

[From the Springfield Republican]

Mayor Curley was so obviously fighting for himself, he was so clearly bent on destroying the Walsh-Ely leadership of his party, that his championship of objective became a wholly subordinate Ely leadership. The party reacted with remondous force in favor of the Walsh.

That Mayor Curley is "finished" in Massachusetts Democratic politics may be a judgment unwarranted at this moment. That what now happens to him, however, is a question instantly arising in the mind of every Massachusetts politician is demonstration enough that his future were at stake quite as much as the fortunes of Roosevelt. The nomination of Smith or of political life. And that fact might color the November election in this Commonwealth. For, as President of the United States, Franklin Roosevelt could not wholly ignore the claims of the Mr. Curley who had fought and bled for him so fiercely in the old Bay State.

CURLEY TO ADDRESS LABOR CONVENTION

State Building Trades' Council Meets Here Today

Mayor Curley will be one of the principal speakers at this afternoon's session of the semi-annual two-days' convention of the State Building Trades' Council at the American House. The convention will open at 10:30 o'clock this morning and will be attended by 200 delegates, representing approximately 80,000 building trades mechanics of the state.

The convention call points out that because of the chaotic conditions in the building industry the convention will be one of the most important ever held by the state council. Resolutions already have been filed calling for convention action on the question of giving preference to citizens in employment.

J. Arthur Moriarty, president of the Boston Central Labor Union, will call the convention to order and extend greetings to the delegates. James H. Fitzpatrick, president of the Boston Building Trades' Council, will extend the welcome of that body.

Mayor Curley is scheduled to speak at 2 P. M. and will be followed by Commissioner Edward S. Smith of the Department of Labor and Industries and Federal Conciliator Charles G. Wood.

The convention will be presided over by E. A. Johnson, president of the state council, who is also secretary of the local council.

ADVERTISER Favorite Dish of Mayor Curley Is Steak Anchovy

Mayors have an eye for tasteful foods as well as for efficiency of their office, and here is the favorite dish of Mayor James M. Curley of Boston—Steak Anchovy and how it is prepared.

Broil a thick slice of porter-house steak on coal stove for 15 minutes—then place in a roasting pan on an electric stove. Spread the steak with anchovies and bake for 15 minutes more.



Mayor Curley

PRaise FOR CURLEY

To the Editor of the Transcript:

The Hon. James Curley, mayor of Boston, is still the wisest Democratic leader in Massachusetts, even though Governor Ely, Senator Walsh, Mr. Donahue, et al., have swept up the State for Smith.

Massachusetts is only a little spot away up in the far east corner of the map of the United States, once important but now dwarfed in power. The result—no real aid to the effort to boost the genial ex-governor into the presidency. In fact, the win here is a disrupting blow which will set the Democracy, North, South, East and West, by the ears, and the fight will lick the party and its candidate, who ever he may be.

Mr. Smith is able and sincere, but has too many well known detour signs along his road to be presidential timber. Governor Roosevelt is the logical candidate and Mayor Curley showed good judgment in standing by the Roosevelt guns without flinching. He didn't get even a bone but he is no dead dog yet.

I am a Republican, admire Hoover (successor to himself), am a dry, a Protestant and a pacifist, but still am able to praise the self-made, Irish Catholic mayor of Boston, possessor of brains and nerve.

Brookline, April 28. SUMNER FORBES

RECORD

5/4/32

City Police Reinforced by One Horse; Men Murmur About Step-Rate Raises

Boston police department membership, which for economy's sake has been closed to human applicants despite an admitted shortage of approximately 100 men, was expanded yesterday by the addition of one horse, to cost about \$350 and require an average of \$275 a year for keep.

Patrolmen who have lost their customary step-rate pay increases in the battle of retrenchment between Mayor Curley and Commissioner Hultman, and have seen their friends and relatives rebuffed in attempts to join the force, had this to talk about in the station houses last night.

The police department, up to yesterday, had 20 horses, quartered at the Back Bay police station. Some citizens have seen all 20 horses in parades, and

a few citizens have seen four of them ridden through alleys in the Back Bay at night. Many more citizens have never seen any of them.

But somebody decided that the quota was short three, and that the approach of the parade season demanded at least a 21st horse. Supt. Crowley, Bernard J. Scanlon, Commissioner Hultman's secretary, Capt. Perley E. Skillings, and Sergt. Edward B. Cain visited McKinney Brothers' stable in Brighton, and selected a 6-year-old.

Even the horse, however, must pass examination before entering the civil service ranks of the Boston police. It was accepted only tentatively, while its record is being checked to assure that it is fully qualified to become the only live addition to the department thus far in 1932.

Commissioner Hultman said last night that the horse was purchased because it was needed. He did not, for the benefit of the disgruntled patrolmen who lost their step-rate increases, give the answer to their privately expressed question, "What for?"

GLOBE 5/4/32

TO GET NEW HORSE BUT NOT MORE MEN

Police Economy Doesn't Prevent \$350 Buy

There's one "personnel roll," at least, in the Boston Police Department that isn't going to suffer from the economy wave which has kept its patrolmen force under authorized strength to the number of nearly 100. The department yesterday made arrangements to buy a horse.

Out at the Back Bay Station is the police stable, now housing 20 horses, or three under quota. That number will be increased by one when the department takes possession of its new horse within a few days.

Yesterday, Supt. Crowley, Secretary Bernard J. Scanlon, Capt. Perley S. Skillings and Sergt. Edward B. Cain of the Back Bay Station went to McKinney Bros' Stable on Market st., Brighton, and tentatively accepted a 6-year-old bay horse. Delivery will probably be made next week.

The price, it was learned, would be \$350. The cost of maintaining the animal, however, appeared to be much greater, according to an official of the department. The official estimated that it would take nearly the yearly salary of a patrolman in the department to pay the total expenses, what with 10 hostlers, feed, rent, light, water, etc., to pay.

The other personnel group in the department won't be changed much, except for decreases, for several months, at least. The department is 100 patrolmen under its authorized strength. Commissioner Hultman told Mayor Curley that as an economy move no new men would be employed.

TRANSCRIPT 5/4/32 Curley's Welfare Board Bill Wins

The legislative committee on cities yesterday, by a one vote margin, reported a redraft on the petition of Mayor Curley for the establishment of a public welfare department, which will replace the present board of overseers of public welfare.

Under the redraft the commissioner of the new body will receive \$7500 a year, with an unpaid advisory board of 10 members, five of whom would be appointed by the mayor and the other five by social agencies engaged in public welfare work in Boston.

HERALD 5/4/32 CURLEY IS EXPECTED TO RETURN TODAY

Mayor Curley is expected to arrive in Boston today, following a brief vacation spent chiefly with friends on Cape Cod. Fatigue resulting from his strenuous campaigning for Gov. Roosevelt of New York in the presidential primaries in Massachusetts led the mayor to seek a rest. He left Boston last Wednesday, the day following the primaries. While he is due at his home in Jamaica Plain today, it could not be learned whether he plans to return to City Hall before tomorrow.

Post 5/4/32 MAYOR BACK HOME TODAY

Has Been Away Full Week Taking Rest

Mayor Curley, who has been away from Boston getting a well earned rest after the primary election campaign, will be back in the city today, it was learned last night.

It is not known definitely that the Mayor will go to his office in City Hall during the day, however. He has been gone a full week.

GLOBE 5/4/32

PROPOSES ONLY ONE PAID WELFARE COMMISSIONER

Under provisions of a redraft of a petition filed by Mayor Curley to reorganize the Public Welfare Department, reported yesterday by the Legislative Committee on cities, there would be one paid head at \$7500 a year and an unpaid advisory board of 10 members, five to be appointed by the Mayor and five selected by prominent social agencies. Mayor Curley's original bill called for a commissioner at \$7500 a year and two deputy commissioners at \$5000 each.

The new board would replace the existing Board of Overseers of Public Welfare. There were seven dissenters to the report of the committee: Representative Jones of Peabody, Fitzgerald of Boston, Hagan of Somerville, Moriarty of Lowell, Lyons of Brockton, MacLean of Lowell and Bullock of Waltham.

PROPOSES MORE EFFECTIVE MINIMUM WAGE ENFORCEMENT

Favorable committee action is expected on the petition of Senator William S. Conroy of Fall River for legislation to provide for more effective enforcement of the decrees of the Minimum Wage Commission.

The Legislative Committee on Labor and Industries yesterday voted to refer the Senator's bill to a subcommittee for redrafting. The subcommittee, Senator Hurley of Holyoke and Representative Brown of Abington, will have the assistance of Commissioner Edwin S. Smith of the State Department of Labor and Industries and Edward Fisher, Associate Commissioner of that department and chairman of the State Minimum Wage Commission.

ASK HOSPITAL BE ALLOWED TO ACCEPT \$1,000,000 GIFT

The Legislative Committee on Metropolitan Affairs was urged yesterday to extend the financial scope of the trustees of the Boston City Hospital in order that they may accept \$1,000,000 left to the hospital under the terms of the will of Charles H. Tyler, A. B. Casson, legislative counsel of the city, urged the bill extending the limit to \$10,000,000.

Under the law as it now stands, the trustees are limited to \$1,000,000 in the amount of real and personal property that they may hold. Committee members, intimating that \$5,000,000 might be a proper limit, took the matter under advisement.

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VETERANS NEED MORE CITY HELP

Funds Low, Prospect of Additional Bur- dens in Sight

Warning that this year's \$450,-000 appropriation for needy veterans and their families would apparently be exhausted by July 1, Soldiers Relief Commissioner John J. Lydon late yesterday requested Mayor Curley to provide additional funds, personnel and office space to meet the demands of the increasing number of applicants.

BIG ADDITIONAL BURDEN

He pointed out that of the 600 to 700 temporary employees who will complete their work this week on the Kenmore square subway and other public works, at least 300 will be required to apply for soldiers' relief from his department, which is already taking care of 2000 families, which is two and a half times the number on the rolls at this time last year.

Captain Lydon informed the Mayor that in the first four months of 1932 the city had paid out \$275,000 to the veterans and their families, as against \$455,000 for the entire 12 months of last year.

Unless new work is provided by the city for the veterans, who will clean up their jobs this week, he said, the city's soldiers' relief payments will increase \$21,000 a month and exhaust the entire year's appropriation by July 1.

Mayor Calls for Action

To take care of these new applications, he said, it will be necessary to hire additional clerks and investigators for the soldiers' relief department as well as additional office space.

Insisting that it was dangerous to crowd the City Hall staircase with 700 to 800 people waiting for relief payments, Captain Lydon suggested that a pay office be installed in the basement with direct entrance from Court square.

The Mayor directed Budget Commissioner Charles J. Fox and Superintendent of Public Buildings John P. Englert to confer with the soldiers' relief commissioner for the purpose of securing, if possible, the additional quarters and office help, as well as more funds.

CURLEY LED SLATE IN PRIMARY BATTLE

Official Figures Show Him 972 Ahead of Roosevelt

The Secretary of State's office yesterday made public the official tabulation of the vote cast in the Presidential primaries, April 28. Mayor Curley led the Roosevelt delegation with 972 more votes than James Roosevelt, son of Gov. Franklin D. Roosevelt of New York. Mr Curley received a total of 56,451 and Mr Roosevelt 55,479.

As head of the victorious Smith delegates-at-large United States Senator David I. Walsh received 153,465.

The total vote received by each candidate for delegate-at-large was as follows, according to the official figures:

SMITH TICKET

Walsh	153,465
Ely	103,779

George	143,351
Foley	143,952
Connelly	146,449
Douglass	139,875
McCormack	145,593
Granfield	139,080
Bacigalupo	135,977
Rotch	185,609
Cole	129,063
Fitzgerald	144,674

ROOSEVELT TICKET

Curley	56,451
Roosevelt	55,479
Brennan	48,992
Cassidy	47,711
Moriarty	48,183
McLaughlin	47,562
Robichaud	45,226
Santosuosso	48,660
Sullivan	46,836
Hurley	48,501
Hines	45,788
Hanken	44,520

The four delegates-at-large elected to attend the Republican convention, all pledged to Hoover, were led by Ex-Gov. Alvan T. Fuller with 57,534 votes. Ex-United States Senator William M. Butler was second with 54,503, Mary D. Potter third with 53,710, and George F. Booth fourth with 53,623 votes.

Representative Roland D. Sawyer of Ware, running for election as a Smith-pledged delegate-at-large to the Democratic convention, received a total vote of 5122 votes, insufficient to secure him election to the convention.

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CITY FUND TO AID VETS NEAR GONE

The municipal soldiers relief department is faced with a serious situation and indications are that funds appropriated to maintain that service during the present year will be exhausted by July 1, Soldiers Relief Commissioner John J. Lydon informed Mayor Curley yesterday.

More than 600 men are to be laid off by the transit department and by the public works department within a week, Lydon said, and at least 50 per cent of those affected will be compelled to seek assistance from his office. That addition to the ranks of needy veterans means an expenditure of \$21,000 a month by his department, Lydon told the mayor.

Lydon also suggested that money be provided to defray the cost of salaries of extra employees who will be needed.

300 Inmates of Long Island to Have New Suits

Three hundred male inmates of Long Island Hospital of the city institutions department are to receive new suits and extra trousers within a few days as a result of contracts awarded by Mayor Curley yesterday.

Leopold Morse Co. will furnish the extra trousers at a cost of \$1.75 each and the Chauncy Clothing Co. will furnish the 300 suits at a cost of \$8 each.

AMERICAN 5/9/32

SNUB TO MAYOR REFUTED

Mayor Curley was not snubbed by the committee in charge of the dinner which will be given tomorrow night to John J. Raskob at the Hotel Statler by a number of the state's leading Democrats.

At his home on the Jamaica way the mayor explained that he had received an invitation from Leopold M. Goulston, chairman of the Massachusetts Democratic victory campaign committee.

But the mayor will not be at the dinner to the chairman of the national Democratic committee.

"I will be out of town on Friday night," he said.

FEARS EXHAUSTION OF VETERANS' FUND

ent at the same time.
victory campaign fund.
Chairman Raskob will share time on
the radio with Gov. Ely and Robert
Jackson, secretary of the Democratic
national committee and prominent sup-
porter of Gov. Roosevelt's campaign
for the Democratic presidential nomi-
nation. Jackson instead of Curley will
represent the Roosevelt group.

Globe 5/8/32

POLITICS AND POLITICIANS

By JOHN D. MERRILL

The official returns of the vote cast at the Democratic primary April 26 show that James Roosevelt, son of the Governor of New York, did not, after all, lead the candidates for delegates at large on the Roosevelt ticket in this State. It now appears that Mayor James M. Curley, whose name was at the head of the list of candidates, received 56,451 votes, and that James Roosevelt, whose name was second in the group, had 55,479. Thus is dissipated what seemed on the night after the primary to be the feature of the day. But, in spite of this revision of the total vote, no one would dispute the statement that young Mr Roosevelt made a fine showing.

There is a growing tendency also to revise the opinion, which was commonly held immediately after the primary, that Mayor Curley's defeat was so overwhelming he can never again hold his head up as a political leader. He was, to be sure, beaten almost three to one by the men and women whose name were in the Smith group of candidates for delegates at large, but the total vote he received, 56,451, was by no means a negligible number in view of the fact that he ran against almost all of the other leading Democrats in the State and also against the name of Alfred E. Smith, a very potent influence with Massachusetts Democrats. It is reasonable to assume that if Mayor Curley had not carried on his active campaign, Gov Roosevelt would have received a very much smaller number of votes than he had in the primary. Many of the politicians are now inclined to think the Mayor did pretty well under the circumstances.

The Roosevelt campaign in the country as a whole, however, would doubtless have been better off if his friends had decided not to make a contest in this State. The surprising thing is that a fight was undertaken here. James A. Farley, chairman of the Democratic State committee of New York and national leader of the Roosevelt movement; Robert Jackson, New England manager for Gov Roosevelt, and Louis M. Howe, Gov Roosevelt's secretary, opposed the filing of a list of Roosevelt delegates in Massachusetts; they believed it would be wiser to acquiesce in the election of the Smith delegates and trust that many, perhaps most, of them would turn to Gov Roosevelt as their second choice. These three Roosevelt leaders were overridden, however.

According to current reports, Gov Roosevelt himself made the decision to fight for the Massachusetts delegates, relying on the judgment of his son. The latter, it is believed, was influenced by Mayor Curley. The Mayor and James Roosevelt were closely associated not only in the campaign itself, but also during the period immediately before the lists of delegates were filed. The Mayor is by instinct a fighter. It is easy to understand how he might have persuaded young Mr Roosevelt, not familiar with political conditions in the State, that a contest would result in the election of several Roosevelt delegates.

The National Outlook

Some of the experts on national

politics now express the opinion that Gov Roosevelt's defeats in Massachusetts and California have practically put him out of the running for the Presidential nomination of his party, but it would seem that that assumption is hardly justified yet. Clearly, when the balloting begins he will have more votes than any other candidate before the convention. He may not secure the necessary two-thirds on the first ballot, or indeed on any ballot, but it is safe to say that, if every candidate could determine his own position in the early balloting, he would unhesitatingly choose first place. That is where Gov Roosevelt will be unless something quite unexpected happens in the next month.

Moreover, it seems probable that if the delegates elected in California and the Southern States have to pick out a second choice they will be more likely to turn to Gov Roosevelt than to anyone else. The result of the California primary was chiefly due, it is said, to the activities of W. G. McAdoo and W. R. Hearst. Neither of those gentlemen, whose influence has not disappeared because their delegates were elected, could be persuaded to do anything Ex-Gov Smith wanted. Their feelings towards him are not exactly love. The Southern delegates will be actuated by similar motives.

According to newspaper report, Tammany Hall is considering the field of "dark horses" and has in mind the possibility of turning its support to Owen D. Young or Melvin A. Traylor.

One story is that Ex-Gov Smith looks with favor on the nomination of Mr Young. It seems hardly probable that the Democratic party in this day and age will nominate for President either the head of a great industrial corporation, commonly taken to be representative of "the trusts," or the president of the largest national bank in Chicago, however well fitted each may be to hold the office Mr Hoover now fills.

Gov Albert C. Ritchie of Maryland has many friends in this part of the country, but it is commonly said he is too wet to be acceptable in other sections, and it is stated that he does not appeal to Ex-Gov Smith. Everybody speaks in the highest terms of the abilities of Newton D. Baker, Secretary of War under President Wilson, but the story about him is that in recent years he has been closely identified with the huge aggregations of capital. Speaker Garner is not taken too seriously as a candidate for the Presidency, nor is any one of the other "favorite sons."

It is easy to raise arguments against the availability of every one of the candidates just mentioned, and for that reason Gov Roosevelt should not be counted out so long as he is constantly adding to his total and has more votes than anyone else.

Gov Ely's Popularity

The Democratic primary in Massachusetts had one result, the politicians say, namely, it brought Gov Ely in touch with the Democratic voters in the eastern part of the State and made him extremely popular with them. The Governor shared with Senator Walsh the leadership of the fight in behalf of Ex-Gov Smith, and Gov Ely's attitude and activities endeared

him to those Democrats who are ardent followers of the Presidential candidate in 1928.

The Democratic leaders in this State have not been unmindful of the possibility that Ex-Gov Alvan T. Fuller may be the Republican nominee for Governor next Fall. Mr Fuller's popularity with the Republicans was shown in the primary, when he led the candidates for delegates at large to the national convention of his party. It is common knowledge that Ex-Gov Fuller has many friends among the Democrats also, and the Democrats have been somewhat disturbed by thoughts of what might happen if he were nominated against Gov Ely. The feeling on the Democratic side is that Gov Ely, after the primary, need not fear even Ex-Gov Fuller, if by chance the latter is nominated for Governor. The probability is that Mr Fuller will not be a candidate.

The Democrats must now choose a new member of the Democratic National Committee and also a chairman of the Democratic State Committee, to succeed Frank J. Donahue, who will retire from both of those offices when he takes his seat on the Superior Court. There have been vague rumors that the Executive Council might refuse to confirm the nomination of Mr Donahue, but no one takes them seriously. If a man otherwise fit is disqualified for the bench because he has been chairman of a political State Committee, the other qualifications of candidates for appointive office might well be looked into more closely. It is no more improper to nominate the chairman of a State committee than to appoint a man because of his alleged standing and influence with some of the racial groups in the community.

Ex-Mayor John F. Fitzgerald of this city probably can be elected the next member of the Democratic National Committee if he cares to assume that post. Time was, perhaps, when the Democrats "from the sticks" looked on Mr Fitzgerald as a member of one of the Boston cliques, but that feeling, if it ever existed, has disappeared. His strength was shown in the primary, in which, although his name was last in the group of Smith delegates at large, he ran in third place and was led only by Senator Walsh and Gov Ely, whose names were, respectively, first and second in the arrangement on the ballot.

It is said that Joseph A. Maynard of Boston and Waltham and Ex-Senator Joseph J. Mulhern of this city are candidates for the chairmanship of the State Committee, but other candidates will be considered.

HERALD

5/10/32

COUNCIL ELECTS CURLEY'S CHOICE

Green Defeats Mahoney
For 2d Assistant City
Messenger

LOBBYING BY AGENTS OF MAYOR RESENTED

Lobbying by emissaries of Mayor Curley led to the election by the city council yesterday of Robert E. "Roy" Green, brother of Councilman Thomas H. Green of Charlestown, as second assistant city messenger. He will replace William J. Walsh, brother of Senator Walsh, who has been second assistant for seven years and who was promoted to the assistant messengership held by the late Fred J. Glenn.

In retaliation for the intrusion of the mayor into the contest, supporters of ex-Councilman Michael J. Mahoney of South Boston, who had been given 14 pledges of support prior to the activity of the mayor's representative, but who lost four of the votes upon which he counted, openly threatened to deny the measure of co-operation which they have extended the mayor.

Mahoney's election was regarded as so certain that his sponsor, Councilman William G. Lynch, aware of the lobbying tactics, chose to counteract the influence of the mayor's office by proposing a secret ballot in executive committee with the understanding that whoever polled a majority of the votes would be the unanimous choice for the post.

Tabulation of the ballots showed that Green had received 10 votes to nine for Mahoney. Councilman Curtis declined to vote.

The Mahoney supporters had counted on Councilman Albert L. Fish of Dorchester, who did not attend the meeting, and the result showed a defection of four councilmen from the number pledged to Mahoney.

Because of the repudiation of pledges Councilman Lynch forced a rollcall in open session. He charged that Mahoney had been assured of 14 votes and that he would insist on an open vote in order that the "trimmers" and "double-crossers" would be identified.

Councilmen Cox and Kelly joined with him, while Councilman Donovan, who defeated Mahoney for re-election, and who had been regarded as a supporter of his vanquished opponent, announced that he planned to adhere to the agreement to accept the decision of the majority in caucus.

On the rollcall the vote was:

For Green — Councilmen Barker, Brackman, Burke, Donovan, Dowd, Englert, Fitzgerald, Gallagher, Gleason, Green, Roberts and Ruby.

For Mahoney — Councilmen Cox, Hein, Kelly, Lynch, McGrath, Murray and Power.

Not voting were Councilmen Curtis and Norton, although the latter supported Mahoney in the caucus.

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CURLEY'S MAN GIVEN \$2750 JOB

Charges of "Double Crossing" Made at Council Meeting

Election of Robert E. Green of Charlestown to serve as second assistant city messenger as a reward for his work in the Roosevelt-for-President campaign, yesterday, split the Boston City Council with verbal warfare, during which accusations of "trimming" and "double-crossing" were freely hurled across the assembly chamber to the delight of a crowded gallery. Green was Mayor Curley's choice but Michael J. Mahoney was supposed to have the job cinched.

Going into a caucus, Councillor William G. Lynch of South Boston claimed 14 votes pledged to his friend, former Councillor Michael J. Mahoney of South Boston, but when the secret ballots were taken out of the hat, Mahoney had but nine votes and Councillor Thomas H. Green's brother had won the \$2750 job with 10 votes.

When the Council came out into the chamber again, Councillor Lynch placed the boys "on the spot" by calling for public vote to "find out the Councillors who double-crossed and did not keep their word." The matter came to a public vote when Councillor Joseph P. Cox of West Roxbury demanded a roll call, after Councillor John L. Fitzgerald of the West End had charged that the "secret ballot was not on the level."

On the roll call, Green clinched the job with 12 votes to 7 for former Councillor Mahoney, while Councillors Laurence Curtis, 2d, of the Back Bay and Clement A. Norton of Hyde Park refrained from voting in accordance with their belief that the job should have remained vacant in the interests of economy.

Senator's Brother Gets Job

With a unanimous vote, William J. Walsh of Brighton, brother of United States Senator David I. Walsh, was

promoted to the \$3250 post of assistant city messenger to fill the vacancy caused by the recent death of Frederick J. Glenn of Mattapan.

Councillor William H. Barker of East Boston announced that in the secret balloting he had cast his vote for his predecessor, Councillor Timothy F. Donovan, for the position finally captured by Green.

On the roll-call Green received the votes of Councillors Barker, Brackman, Burke, Donovan, Dowd, Englert, Fitzgerald, Gallagher, Gleason, Green, Roberts and Ruby, while the supporters of Mahoney were Councillors Cox, Hein, Kelly, Lynch, McGrath, Murray and Power.

The Council adopted an order requesting the Legislature to amend House bill 1404 so that it cannot become effective until approved by the Boston City Council. This bill, which authorizes the city to spend \$3,000,000 in the widening of Haymarket square and Merimac and Cross streets, has already been adopted by the House and Senate.

The Governor will give an audience to the Councillors at 11 o'clock this morning at the executive chamber, through arrangements made by President Edward M. Gallagher. They will ask the Governor to veto the widening bill unless the Legislature inserts a provision giving the Council a referendum power in the widening.

Curley Says He Has No Regrets

Mayor Curley, speaking at the complimentary dinner tendered last night to Assistant Corporation Counsel Joseph A. Scolpenetti, broke his silence for the first time to comment on the Smith victory in Massachusetts. He declared that he had no regrets regarding his fight in behalf of Governor Roosevelt. "As the days and weeks go by," he said, "I am sure that we will have less cause to regret." He paid high tribute to Assistant Corporation Counsel Scolpenetti, who campaigned for Roosevelt throughout the State.

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Mr. Conry and the Police Boat

POLICE COMMISSIONER HULTMAN shows good sense in ignoring the latest remarks of Traffic Commissioner Joseph A. Conry. In an address, Mr. Conry said:

"To obtain a boat for police protection in Boston harbor, the police commissioner contracted to build a ship 118 feet long. Be it remembered that the boat is never intended to go outside Boston Light . . . Any East Boston boy could have told the police commissioner that a boat 118 feet long was utterly unfit to operate between the wharves and above the bridges of our harbor, as being too slow and awkward in turning. After hobbling about for a year or so she was pronounced unwieldy and unserviceable and sent to the sick bay. Boston harbor is deprived of its proper police protection and the city faces a possible loss of \$250,000, due to the incompetency of officials who should be appointed by our mayor, but are wrongfully appointed by the Governor of our state."

We called up Mr. Conry and asked:

"In making your speech did you let your audience know that the plans for that boat were approved and the order placed before Mr. Hultman ever became police commissioner?"

"No," was Mr. Conry's answer. "I was not discussing individuals. I was calling attention to the system under which police commissioners are appointed by the Governor rather than by the mayor of the city."

We accept Mr. Conry's explanation that no slur against Mr. Hultman was intended or implied. In justice to the police commissioner, however, the public should be warned against the natural inference to be drawn from Mr. Conry's speech, particularly in view of the fact that one of Mr. Hultman's first efforts when he took office was to attempt to find a way for the city to suffer least from the results of its adventure in police boat building.

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AMPHIBIOUS MR. CONRY

Our entertaining traffic commissioner sometimes lets his Demosthenian talent run away with him and indulges in flights of rhetoric that soar far from the ground. Nobody minds very much, as long as he deals with abstract questions, but on Sunday he launched into an attack on Police Commissioner Hultman in which he did not tell the whole story. In short, he gave his audience the impression that Mr. Hultman is responsible for the shortcomings, if any, of the new police boat, Stephen J. O'Meara.

Mr. Conry would have been decidedly more helpful had he explained all the facts in the case. Plans for the new boat were prepared under the direction of Herbert A. Wilson, Mr. Hultman's predecessor as police commissioner. The final contract was signed Feb. 17, 1930, by Mr. Wilson and approved and signed by Mayor Curley, Mr. Conry's immediate superior. Mr. Hultman did not take office until May 7, 1930. Mr. Hultman has made every possible effort to protect the city's investment under the terms of the contract. If the boat is finally deemed unsatisfactory, and the contractors are found to have been at fault, any money recovered will be largely due to Mr. Hultman's initiative.

Until Mr. Conry achieves perfect regulation of the traffic on Boston streets, he should not attempt to police Boston harbor also.

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**MAYOR STILL FIRM
ROOSEVELT BACKER****Has No Regrets on State
Campaign, He Says**

Mayor Curley declared he has no regrets that he supported Roosevelt in the Massachusetts primaries and expressed the belief that "as the months go on I'll have less regrets than when the campaign was in progress," at a dinner tendered to Joseph A. Scolponetti, recently appointed as assistant corporation counsel, at the Copley-Plaza Hotel last night.

Referring to the part he played with Scolponetti in the unsuccessful campaign for Massachusetts delegates pledged to Roosevelt, the mayor said, "We fought for a great principle—justice and equality of the people of America, which are constitutional guarantees."

Pointing out that numbers of children of immigrants have won fame and honor, the mayor declared "Boston does not represent the aristocracy of wealth, but the aristocracy of character and race. The field of opportunity is never a closed book to an individual of character, ability, and loyalty."

The mayor paid tribute to Scolponetti's parents, both of whom attended the dinner, and said that his six sisters and two brothers should be proud of the esteem in which he is held. More than 500 were present at the dinner.

Thomas H. Bresnahan introduced State Treasurer Charles T. Hurley as toastmaster. Among those who spoke were Saverio H. Romano; Stephen D. Bacigalupe, assistant attorney-general; Frank G. Volpe, assistant district attorney of Middlesex county; Samuel Silverman, corporation counsel; Judge Frank Leveroni, Judge Joseph T. Zottoli and Judge Allan G. Buttrick.

Scolponetti was formerly assistant district attorney for Suffolk county.

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Gallery Seat Will Not Keep Curley Away

Mayor Says He'd "Better Go to Chicago" to See Democratic Convention Fun

By William F. Furbush

Mayor Curley indicated very strongly today that he has the inclination to attend the Democratic National Convention in Chicago in June. It has been a matter of much political speculation since Alfred E. Smith's victory over Governor Franklin D. Roosevelt in the Bay State primaries whether the mayor, who headed the defeated Roosevelt slate of delegates, would go to the Windy City in the enforced roll of observer only, but the chances are that he will not be one of the convention absentees.

"Shall you attend the national convention?" a reporter asked the mayor.

"Y-e-s, I guess I had better go to Chicago to see the fun," said the mayor, smiling hesitantly in retrospection. "Yes," he continued, "I'll have to go, even though I sit in the gallery."

Commenting on the article in the Transcript last night that Owen D. Young may be Al Smith's candidate for the Democratic presidential nomination in the stop-Roosevelt movement, but of course in the understanding that Smith himself is eliminated, Mr. Curley said that the article intimated just what had appeared all along to be certain—that Smith would support Young and "thus work indirectly" for Hoover's re-election.

"It's a sad fate," said the mayor in a meditative mood, "for a man who four years ago was the idol of America."

The mayor went on to say that, despite the severe defeat which the Roosevelt delegates experienced in the recent primary at the hands of the Ely-Walsh pledged-to-Smith slate, he had no regrets for supporting Roosevelt.

With relation to discussion bringing Young forward among the list of dark horses, politicians recall that Mayor Curley was an early champion of Young for President, changing his support later to Roosevelt.

The mayor's plans call for his presence out of town tonight and accordingly he will not attend the complimentary dinner to be given at the Hotel Statler to John J. Raskob, chairman of the Democratic National Committee, by the Massachusetts victory fund committee. The mayor was among the first of those to whom dinner invitations were sent by the committee chairman, Leopold M. Goulston. Governor Ely and other Bay State Democratic leaders will greet Mr. Raskob at the dinner. The visiting chairman was scheduled to arrive at the Back Bay Station at 5.55 o'clock and will make his headquarters at the Statler during his visit here.

Ask Governor to Veto Traffic Tunnel Bill

City Council Members Call on Ely to Voice Disapproval of Street Widening Measure

Sixteen members of the Boston City Council, headed by President Edward Gallagher, called on Governor Ely at the State House today and urged the chief executive to veto the bill, which was passed to be engrossed in the Senate yesterday, authorizing the city of Boston to borrow \$3,000,000 for street widenings and improvements in connection with the construction of the East Boston vehicular tunnel.

At the conclusion of the conference, President Gallagher stated that the governor "treated us very courteously," but that he had made no comment as to what action he would take in the matter. The councilors object to the measure on the ground that it does not confer on them the power of approving the project. In a statement following the meeting, Councilor Clement A. Norton of Hyde Park said:

"The question of whether the city council should have the right of passing upon this bill is, however, only incidental. I believe the council should be given this privilege, but even if the council had it the governor should still veto the bill."

"As early as June, 1931, the Boston newspapers announced that the 'land sharks' had options on property along the proposed route. These men hold up the city for high payments. Property sold to an individual such as the Patten Restaurant property worth not over \$100,000, is sold to the city for \$340,000."

"These are hard times. Already millions of dollars have been spent on the new tunnel approaches. Let us open the tunnel and find out just what is needed in the line of additional widenings and land takings. Already over \$6,000,000 has been spent for this purpose. The legislative bill we ask the governor to veto calls for over \$3,000,000 more."

"This is the largest single capital enterprise ever undertaken by a New England city, the East Boston vehicular tunnel. If it fails to pay expenses, if it is a 'white elephant,' it will be outstanding to say the least. The Boston Transit Commission estimates that about 1,000,000 vehicles a year will use the tunnel. Experts declare that at least 2,500,000 vehicles must use it in order to make it pay."

Present at the conference in addition to Councilors Norton and Gallagher were Councilors Murray, Fish, Barker, Burke Lynch, McGrath, Englert, Dowd, Power Cox, Hein, Brackman, Green and Donovan.

Curley Man Chosen as Council's Aid

Robert E. Green, brother of Councilor Thomas H. Green of Charlestown, was elected second assistant city messenger yesterday at a salary of \$2750 to fill the vacancy caused by the promotion of William J. Walsh to the assistant messenger-ship held by the late Fred J. Glenn. A secret ballot failed to work as its sponsors expected, and in open session the members were recorded for or against the two leading candidates, Green and former City Councilor Michael J. Mahoney of South Boston.

In the caucus Green won by 10 to 9, but by rollcall the vote was 12 to 7. According to Councilor Lynch, the Mahoney candidacy had 14 votes pledged. Two of the councilors refused to vote—Curtis of the Back Bay and Norton of Hyde Park.

By a vote of 10 to 9 the Council defeated an order authorizing the sale of 66,000 feet of land at \$2 a foot, located at the corner of Chestnut Hill avenue. Reconsideration was also defeated. The Council adopted the recommendation of the committee on public lands not to sell a parcel on Freeport street and a small lot on Quinn Way, West Roxbury.

The Council unanimously passed resolutions commending Dr. Henry S. Rowen, whose term of office as a trustee of the Boston City Hospital expired on April 30. Dr. Rowen was replaced by Dr. Martin J. English.

The Council, without opposition, passed an order, introduced by Councilor Peter Murray, calling for the installation of automatic signal lights on the Jamaica-way at Pond street. Councilor Murray said that because of the heavy automobile traffic at that point it was extremely dangerous for children or grownups to cross the street to get to Jamaica Pond.

Promotion on Merit; Warned Not to Pay

When two new district fire chiefs appeared at his office today, Mayor Curley congratulated them and sharply warned them that if he should hear that they had paid anybody who might claim influence in their promotion, their positions would be in danger. The fortunate men were Daniel J. Hurley of 91 Sumner street, Dorchester, captain of Rescue Company No. 1, and Edward N. Montgomery of 26 Annavoy street, East Boston, commander of Engine 31, fireboat.

Fire Commissioner Edward F. McLaughlin had appointed the new district chiefs from the head of the civil service list, four names having been sent down for the choice. The mayor approved the appointments on McLaughlin's recommendation and today told them that he was happy, in these days of distress, to see them go ahead with a salary increase from \$2700 to \$4000 a year. He said also that as a rule vacancies in the city service would not be filled until better days appeared, but it seemed imperative for the protection of life and property that there should be no sacrifice of efficiency in the department.

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MAYOR AND DAUGHTER CHEER ILL KIDDIES



Mayor Curley and his daughter, Mary, made themselves right at home with the unfortunate children at the Peabody Home in New-

ton. The mayor and Miss Curley are shown at play with three youngsters during their visit yesterday. (Staff Photo.)

Mayor Commends Peabody Home for Child Shut-Ins

There is no more worthy charity to which any resident of Greater Boston can contribute than the Peabody Home for Crippled Children in Newton, Mayor Curley stated today.

The mayor based his belief on observations made during a lengthy visit to the institution late yesterday.

During his visit the mayor chatted with the 106 little children receiving treatment there. Some he shook hands with; some he kissed, and some he clasped in his arms. He was accompanied by his daughter, Miss Mary E. Curley.

ESCORTED BY FOUNDER

Escorted by Mrs. Edward P. Kellogg of 854 Beacon st., who founded the institution 37 years ago with a total bank balance of \$200, and by Mrs. James P. Hill, secretary to the hospital committee, the mayor and Miss Curley visited the youngsters while they were attending classes on the large glass enclosed porches at the main building.

For the little boys of three years the mayor recited the story of "Little Red Riding Hood"; for the little girls of that age he sang "Rock-a-bye Baby." He recited riddles for the older boys and drew another group into a guessing contest.

He held lengthy discussion with the girls and gave them a lesson in arithmetic.

Mrs. N. S. Smith, superintendent of the institution, stated that the mayor has always been a favorite of the children there.

MAYOR PRAISES WORK

The majority of the youngsters confined to the hospital are victims of infantile paralysis and tuberculosis of the bones.

"This is a wonderful work," Mayor Curley said today. "It is one which is overlooked by many charitable persons. I am sure that the hospital would receive greater support were the great work it is doing more generally known. I am sure that many kindly persons would contribute

MAYOR GOING TO CHICAGO MEET

Mayor Curley will be in Chicago during the Democratic national convention there next month.

The mayor made definite decision on the matter today after he had spent an hour rearranging his entire program for June.

"I shall go to Chicago next month," the mayor said. "My man is going to be nominated there for the presidency and since that is the equivalent of election this year why should I be there to cheer him on? I have a lot of friends there and it will be a nice trip."

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MYSTERY ENVELOPS CHECK ON LISTING

Political Motive Seen in City
Employees' "Census"

Mystery concealing the purpose of the check on the police listing of city employees, ordered by Mayor Curley ostensibly to disclose how many failed to vote in the recent presidential primary, was not dispelled yesterday by any official explanation.

Department heads continued to ask subordinates from what address they were listed in April, 1931, as well as of April 1 of the present year, but no information in explanation of the demand for such information was volunteered.

As the police listing will not reveal how many city workers live outside of Boston, suspicion has been created that its purpose is closely related to the recent primary in which more than 10,000 persons on the city payrolls are reported to have failed to vote.

No appointive officials holding posts to which salaries of from \$5000 upwards are attached now maintain permanent homes outside of the city, and while it is known that scores of men and women who draw salaries from the city treasury are residents of cities and towns within commuting distance of Boston, there are few who are not "mattress" voters in the city.

BIG BEER PROGRAM ON COMMON TODAY

Sponsors Unable to Complete
Program as Intended

The "We Want Beer" demonstration, scheduled at the Parkman bandstand at 1 o'clock this afternoon, will fall far short of what the sponsors intended when it was decided to join with Mayor Walker of New York in a nation-wide demand for beer.

Instead of speakers nationally known, the advocates of beer will be confined to local talent and will include Julian Codman, Mrs. Robert Lovett and Arthur L. Race.

Efforts of Standish Willcox, delegated by Mayor Curley to obtain speakers for the demonstration, proved so barren of results that Willcox expressed his disgust with the situation yesterday.

"Here we have the rostrum, the crowd and the topic and we haven't been able to land a single speaker of national importance. Any one ought to be proud to receive an invitation to speak at the Parkman bandstand. We couldn't get Senator Bingham because he cannot get away from his senatorial duties in Washington. But we'll talk about beer. Does any one know where I can get a few bottles of the real article?"

COAKLEY TAKES CURLEY FOR 'RIDE'

Sends Mayor Ticket to Sit as
Spectator at Democratic
Convention

A ticket to sit in the gallery as a spectator at the national Democratic convention next month at Chicago has been sent to Mayor Curley by Daniel H. Coakley, a Smith delegate from the 9th congressional district. Coakley admitted yesterday that he had mailed the credential.

"During the presidential primary campaign," Coakley explained, "the mayor said that if I attended the convention it would be in the capacity of a spectator. I took him at his word and immediately arranged to obtain a ticket for myself. The voters decided, however, that I should sit as a delegate and that the mayor should remain out of the deliberations. Accordingly I have sent my spectator's ticket to the mayor. He has neglected thus far to acknowledge my kind consideration of his predicament."

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SAYS MAYOR DOES WORK

To the Editor of the Post:

Sir—May I have a word of reply to "Discouraged." If "Discouraged" could but sit in the Mayor's chair for one day (take any large city) and give himself to the duties and demands of the office I am sure the opinion would be decidedly changed. Not only has Mayor Curley to solve the difficult problems that face him but has also had to listen to the distressing stories and pleas of from 200 to 300 persons daily who look to him for some relief.

To apply one's self to the problems of city management and at the same time hear these stories would wear on the nerves of a cast iron man. Add to this the demands for his time at conventions, meetings and gatherings after his day at the office is completed, where he is supposed to make addresses and shake hands with all who voted him into his position and who look upon his presence at their affairs as imperative and mandatory.

Let "Discouraged" visit City Hall and become familiar with the problems before undertaking to criticize. Mayor Curley gives his full day to work at City Hall, with many hours overtime, then devotes his evenings to engagements a "social Mayor" should fill. A Mayor may "owe his time to the taxpayers" but he does not owe his life, yet "Discouraged" would have the Mayor burn himself out without surcease or relaxation, to serve the whim and fancy of an ungrateful citizen. Without vacation periods, whether they be in campaign work or otherwise resting, no Mayor could stand the pressure of demands placed upon him.

JOSHUA H. JONES, Jr.

JAMES M. CURLEY COURT WHIST PARTY ON MONDAY

James M. Curley Court, M. C. O. F., will hold a whist and bridge party Monday evening at the Hotel Statler under the auspices of the membership drive committee. Thomas M. Gemmelli



MISS ALMA HALEY

is chairman of the drive committee and Miss Alma Haley chairman of the party.

More than 200 new members have been obtained by the drive committee. Prizes include a clock by Mayor Curley.

Assisting Miss Haley on the committee are Chief Ranger William G. O'Hare, Dorothy Leary, Cornelia and Grace Ruddy, Lillian Burke, Esther Lyons, Lloyd Carnegie, Edward Morrissey, Cornelius Murphy, Phillip Kenney, Louis Good, Francis Matchett, J. Edward Keefe Jr., Paul Murphy and Helen Page.

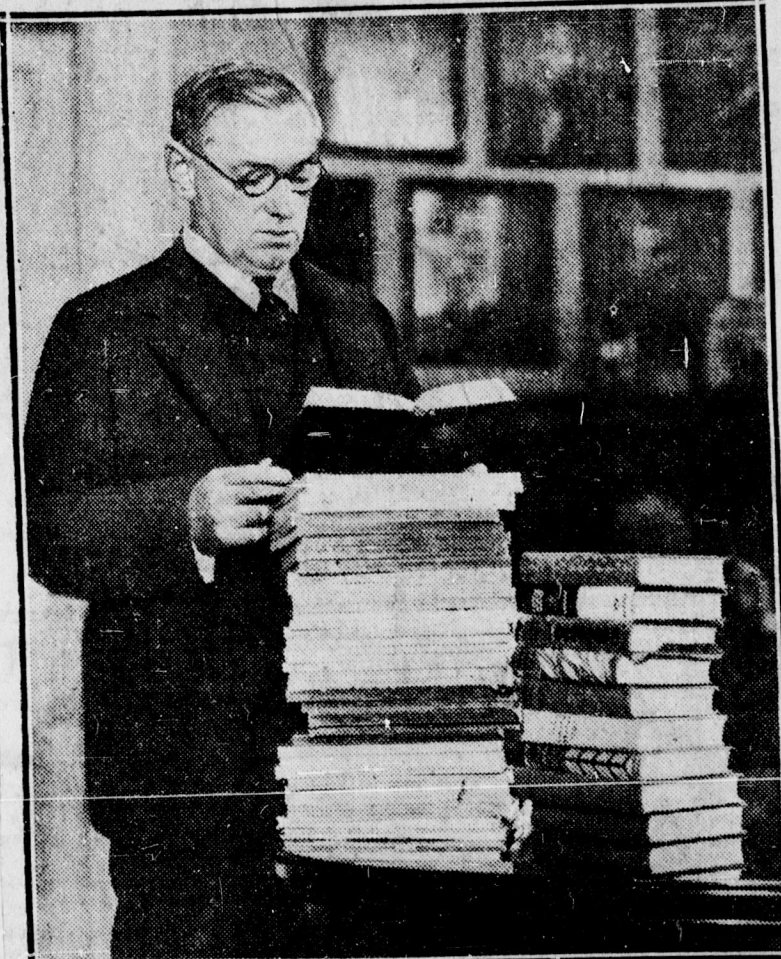
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Mayor Gives Own Books to Library on Common



MAYOR CURLEY DONATES TO OPEN AIR LIBRARY

One of the first contributors to the open air library on the Common for the unemployed was Mayor Curley. He is shown above examining some of the books and magazines from his personal collection which he donated yesterday.

From his private collection at Jamaicaaway, Mayor Curley yesterday made the first contribution to the new open-air branch library for the unemployed at the Parkman bandstand on the Common, in the form of a stack of literary magazines and a score of books.

Inquisitive bookworms noted that among the books which the Mayor had taken from his home library to place in circulation was the life story of Boies Penrose, for years the Republican power in Pennsylvania.

Questioned regarding his action, the Mayor indicated that he wanted to get the book out of the house before the children could read it. He contended further that the book would be a boon to the Democratic party here. He also placed at the disposal of the readers around the bandstand, several copies

on the life story of Franklin D. Roosevelt.

Chairman William P. Long of the Park Commission drew a crowd of more than 2000 people at the radio concert from 11 o'clock to 4 at the bandstand yesterday, and announced that the daily concert would be made a permanent feature.

CURLEY FOR REPEAL OF RULE IN PARTY

Says Majority of Convention Would Nominate Roosevelt

Mayor Curley yesterday espoused repeal of the rule making it mandatory for presidential nominees of the Democratic party to receive two-thirds of the convention votes.

In a letter to Gov. Roosevelt he set forth that "industrial conditions in the country and party unity so essential to success in November make imperative the repeal of the two-thirds rule and the adoption of the majority rule. The adoption of the majority rule should result in a harmonious convention through your nomination on the first ballot and a victory for Democracy in November."

Other paragraphs of the letter were:

I congratulate you on your victories this day in Oregon with its 10 votes, Tennessee with its 24 votes, and the other states that have made declared for you during the present week; Kansas 20, Montana 8, New Mexico 6, Vermont 8, South Carolina 16, District of Columbia 6, and with Nevada's 6 on Saturday,

making a total of 104 votes in one week.

The votes of these states, plus the votes which you are certain to receive from the New York and Pennsylvania delegations of 100, indicate a total for you of 568 which, plus the 12 in Colorado, 14 in Florida, 6 in Idaho, 20 in Mississippi, and 26 in North Carolina, makes a total of 646, or 60 votes more than a majority.

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150 ROOSEVELT BOOSTERS WILL GO TO CHICAGO

Special Train Leaves Boston
June 25; Mayor Curley
in Party

By BERNARD J. DOHERTY

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The "All Roosevelt" special will leave the North Station June 25 at about the same time that the special carrying Governor Ely and the balance of the Smith delegates will depart.

The Roosevelt train on leaving Boston will also carry the New Hampshire delegates pledged to Roosevelt and will pause at Greenfield to pick up the delegates from Vermont.

A stop will be made at Albany where there will be a banquet at the Ten Eyck Hotel and where the entire group will be addressed by Gov. Roosevelt.

MONTREAL STOP

In coming back from the convention over the Canadian National Railways, the party will stop over in Montreal.

Charles H. McGlue, former chairman of the Democratic State Committee, and an ardent Roosevelt supporter, is in charge of the arrangements.

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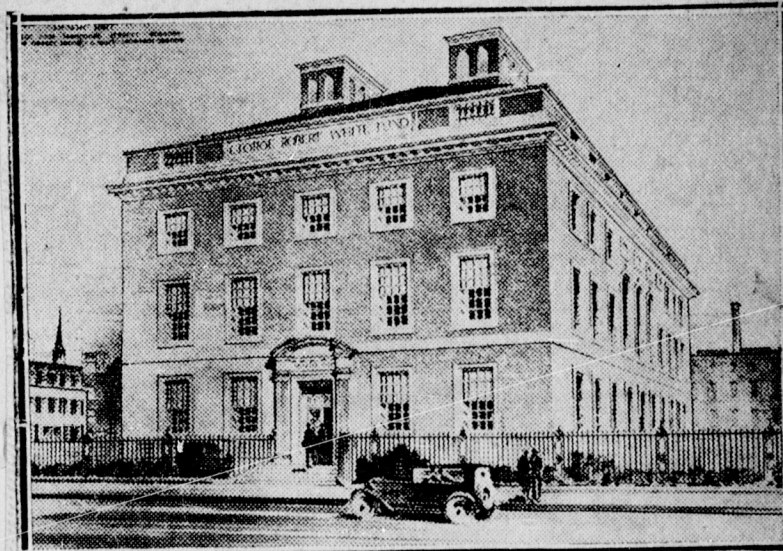
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POSSIBLE TRADES

Among the trading possibilities McGlue mentioned Melvin A. Traynor of Illinois, who is supported by Mayor Anton Cermak of Chicago—58 votes; George A. White of Ohio with 52 votes; former Gov. Harry Byrd of Virginia with 24 votes; Speaker John N. Garner of Texas with 90 votes; ex-Senator James A. Reed of Missouri with 36 votes; William Gibbs McAdoo of California.

Reed was seen by McGlue as a possibility for the attorney generalship, and McAdoo as secretary of the treasury, a position held by him under the Wilson administration.

Start on New Roxbury Health Unit Wednesday



HOW ROXBURY HEALTH UNIT WILL LOOK

Work will start Wednesday on the construction of the \$299,000 municipal health unit, facing Whittier street, Roxbury. It will be built of brick and limestone and will be five stories high.

Construction of a new health unit for the residents of the Madison square section of Roxbury at a cost of \$299,000 will be started Wednesday by the Matthew Cummings Company, which yesterday was awarded the contract by the trustees of the \$6,000,000 George Robert White fund with the approval of Mayor Curley.

The contractor agreed to complete the building in 200 days and possibly may break the record in order that the health centre may be opened for Christmas. The site has already been purchased by the city at a cost of \$58,-

000 and the old structures removed to make way for the construction job.

The site includes more than two acres of land, half of which will be devoted to playground purposes for the children attending the health unit. The lot contains 85,700 square feet of land bounded by Whittier, Hampshire, Vernon and Downing streets, Roxbury.

This will make the second health unit for the residents of Roxbury and probably the last to be constructed from the income of the White fund. The other Roxbury unit is at Blue Hill avenue and Savin street.

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KEITH'S CELEBRATES VAUDEVILLE'S RETURN

Hoover Wires Felicitations
—Curley, Others Speak

A gala celebration, marking the return of vaudeville to the RKO-Keith Theatre was held last night between 7:30 and 8 o'clock with Mayor James M. Curley as the principal speaker.

Klieg lights, broadcasting of speeches and ballyhoo outside the theatre on Washington at marked the occasion. Ben Bernie, here as the stellar stage attraction on the vaudeville bill, took part in the speech-making program.

The high note of the evening was the reading of a telegram from President Herbert Hoover to Harry MacDonald, director of the RKO theatres of New England. The telegram was read by Gen Alfred F. Foote and said: "It is most appropriate that suitable commemoration should be made in Boston of the 50th anniversary of

vaudeville in America, since it was in that city that the late B. F. Keith introduced to this country a form of entertainment which always, under his management, and wherever it has conformed to his ideals, has provided clean and joyous amusement for the relaxation of the public."

Gen Foote added a short speech to the reading of the telegram, praising Mr MacDonald and paying tribute to Maj MacDonald, the father of the present Keith executive.

John McNamara was master of ceremonies for the radio program that preceded the regular entertainment. Music was furnished by the Oscar Elgart orchestra, while other entertainers were Eleanor Talcott, Polly Willis, Alice O'Leary and Warren Hull.

Ray Meyers, one of the members of the crew on the Nautilus, gave an excellent impersonation of another famous adventurer, Count Von Luckner.

The speeches were heard by those inside the theatre as well as outside. There were many guests, representing the State and Municipal Governments, and a special section was roped off for the convenience of the guests of honor.

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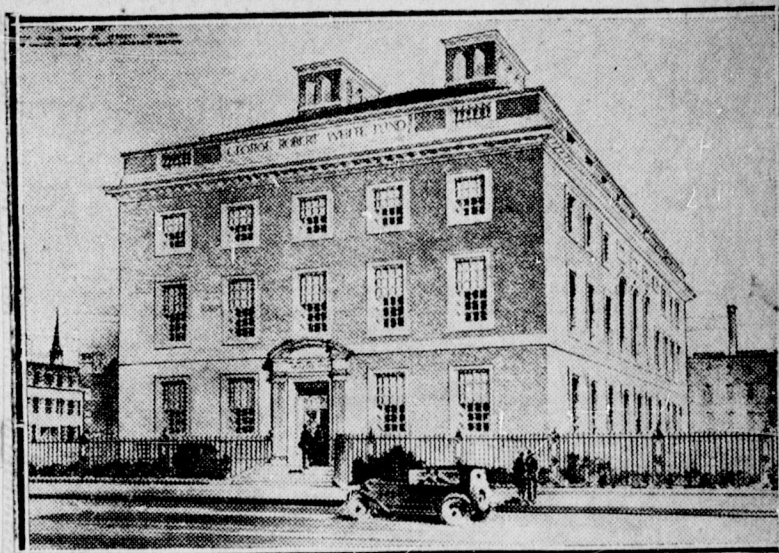
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POSSIBLE TRADES

Among the trading possibilities McGlue mentioned Melvin A. Traynor of Illinois, who is supported by Mayor Anton Cermak of Chicago—58 votes; George A. White of Ohio with 52 votes; former Gov. Harry Byrd of Virginia with 24 votes; Speaker John N. Garner of Texas with 90 votes; ex-Senator James A. Reed of Missouri with 36 votes; William Gibbs McAdoo of California.

Reed was seen by McGlue as a possibility for the attorney generalship, and McAdoo as secretary of the treasury, a position held by him under the Wilson administration.

Start on New Roxbury Health Unit Wednesday



HOW ROXBURY HEALTH UNIT WILL LOOK

Work will start Wednesday on the construction of the \$299,000 municipal health unit, facing Whittier street, Roxbury. It will be built of brick and limestone and will be five stories high.

Construction of a new health unit for the residents of the Madison square section of Roxbury at a cost of \$299,000 will be started Wednesday by the Matthew Cummings Company, which yesterday was awarded the contract by the trustees of the \$6,000,000 George Robert White fund with the approval of Mayor Curley.

The contractor agreed to complete the building in 200 days and possibly may break the record in order that the health centre may be opened for Christmas. The site has already been purchased by the city at a cost of \$58,-

000 and the old structures removed to make way for the construction job.

The site includes more than two acres of land, half of which will be devoted to playground purposes for the children attending the health unit. The lot contains 85,700 square feet of land bounded by Whittier, Hampshire, Vernon and Downing streets, Roxbury.

This will make the second health unit for the residents of Roxbury and probably the last to be constructed from the income of the White fund. The other Roxbury unit is at Blue Hill avenue and Savin street.

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KEITH'S CELEBRATES VAUDEVILLE'S RETURN

Hoover Wires Felicitations
—Curley, Others Speak

A gala celebration, marking the return of vaudeville to the RKO-Keith Theatre was held last night between 7:30 and 8 o'clock with Mayor James M. Curley as the principal speaker.

Klieg lights, broadcasting of speeches and ballyhoo outside the theatre on Washington at marked the occasion. Ben Bernie, here as the stellar stage attraction on the vaudeville bill, took part in the speech-making program.

The high note of the evening was the reading of a telegram from President Herbert Hoover to Harry MacDonald, director of the RKO theatres of New England. The telegram was read by Gen Alfred F. Foote and said: "It is most appropriate that suitable commemoration should be made in Boston of the 50th anniversary of

vaudeville in America, since it was in that city that the late B. F. Keith introduced to this country a form of entertainment which always, under his management, and wherever it has conformed to his ideals, has provided clean and joyous amusement for the relaxation of the public."

Gen Foote added a short speech to the reading of the telegram, praising Mr MacDonald and paying tribute to Maj MacDonald, the father of the present Keith executive.

John McNamara was master of ceremonies for the radio program that preceded the regular entertainment. Music was furnished by the Oscar Elgart orchestra, while other entertainers were Eleanor Talcott, Polly Willis, Alice O'Leary and Warren Hull.

Ray Meyers, one of the members of the crew on the Nautilus, gave an excellent impersonation of another famous adventurer, Count Von Luckner.

The speeches were heard by those inside the theatre as well as outside. There were many guests, representing the State and Municipal Governments, and a special section was roped off for the convenience of the guests of honor.